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TO THE
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The County of
RUTLAND,

JAMES WRIGHT

Presents and Dedicates

This WORK.

THE
P R E F A C E
T O T H E
R E A D E R.

I Suppose there needs no Appology for a Work of this Argument, or that I should set forth the usefullness of this sort of Learning in any long Discourse, it being already sufficiently known to all Gentlemen and Schollers. Let me however borrow a few lines extreamly pertinent to this subject, out of an Epistle formerly writ by Thomas Wotton Esquire, Father of the first Lord Wotton, and printed before the Perambulation of Kent, composed by the Learned John Lambert Esquire, formerly a Benchler of Lincolns Inne. Mr. Wottons words are these: I must needs say, that (the sacred Word of Almighty God always excepted) there is nothing either for our Instruction more profitable, or to our minds more delectable, or within the Compass of common understanding more easie or facile, than the study of Histories, nor that study for none Estate more meet than for the Estate of Gentlemen; nor for the Gentlemen of England, no History so meet as the History of England. For the dexterity that men have either in providing for themselves, or in comforting their friends (two very good things) or in serving their King and Country (of all outward things the best thing) doth rest chiefly upon their own and other folks experience.

Since Mr. Lambert writ his abovementioned Perambulation of Kent, it hath been much desired by several worthy Persons, that all the Counties of England might be accordingly described by others; which perhaps may be in time: some are done already, as Kent, Cornwall, Leicestershire, Cheshire, Nottinghamshire, but above all Warwickshire, several Cities and Towns also, as London, Canterbury, Oxford, Cambridge, Windsor, Exeter, Stamford, Feversham, all which have been treated of in several distinct Volumes, writ by several Authors. Other Counties I hear are now in hand as Yorkshire, Staffordshire, and Hartfordshire.

As to this undertaking of mine, I must acquaint the Reader, that having been above twenty years past, for the most part, resident in the County of Rutland (tho' no Native of the same) I collected many years ago something of this nature for my own private satisfaction. Which Notes, tho' few and those imperfect, I have since been encouraged by several Persons of Honour and Quality to compleat into a just Volume as it is now publisht. In the performing of which I have had some help from certain Papers collected by Sir Wingfeild Bodenham Knight; formerly, while he lived, of Ryhall in this County; who in the late times of Anarchy being a Prisoner in the Tower for his faith and Loyalty to his King, had there sufficient Leisure to make several Collections of Antiquity, which he did chiefly from the Labours of that Industrious and Famous Antiquary Mr. Roger Dodsworth; among which miscellaneous Papers of his, I found diverse Notes relating to this County, as will appear by my Citations. Also through the favour of the right worthy Sir John Cotton, Baronet, I have had the perusal of his famous and incomparable Library of Manuscripts at Westminster, tho' in truth my affairs would not permit me to spend so much time there, as I might have done, had I had no other Avocations. Nor ought I to forget to acknowledg the assistance which I have found; as well from the Learned Works as personal friendship and incouragement of the highly deserving Sir William Dugdale Knight, Garter King at Arms; Sir Henry St. George Knight, Clarentieux; with other Gentlemen belonging to the Office
of

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of Arms, to whose Civilities I am obliged. Yet all this I thought not sufficient till I made an actual search among the Records themselves remaining in the Tower, at the Chapel of the Rolls, and in the Exchequer at Westminster, especially the Augmentation Office. The Pedigrees, which I have inserted in this Treatise, are some transcribed from the Authentick Roles of descent remaining in the possession of the respective Families; but the most of them are copied out of the Visitation Books made for this County, and remaining in the Office of Armes. Several of which Pedigrees may possibly be reduced much higher, if the parties concern'd will give themselves the trouble and charge to search further. For my part I have set down only such things as have arrived to my knowledge without Importuning any for intelligence; some Gentlemen being unwilling (for reasons best known to themselves) to have the Evidences of their Families or Estates viewed by any Stranger. For this reason chiefly, I have been cautious and sparing in treating of the modern Proprietors and present Possessors of the Estates mention'd in this Book. For whereas the antient Titles are to be found in publick Records, or to be gathered from printed Authors, or other authentick Writings. On the contrary he that treats exactly of the present must be of necessity beholding to report and personal Information, which will betray him that relies thereon to Error, in regard of those many dormant Conveyances upon condition, and Settlements in trust, &c. which abound now a days more than ever. But if not withstanding all my endeavors to the contrary, I have been guilty of any mistakes, I am very willing and ready, upon better evidence to annex the Errata in a Supplement or Appendix.

As to the Method in my Description of this County, I have in several particulars followed that which hath been heretofore used by the industrious William Burton Esquire, formerly a member of the Inner Temple, in his Description of Leicestershire. Which President being drawn by the hand of an antient and learned Barrister, seems most proper for me to observe; not only placing the Towns alphabetically, and such other slighter matters, but chiefly in the concise, yet satisfactory account of the subject. The said Mr. Burton, as a Lawyer, tells us in his Preface to his Reader, That those Cases of Law which of later times have happen'd within his Shire, he hath briefly remember'd, in some shewing the Arguments and Reasons of the Judgments. And so have I in like manner here in Rutland. And that such Antiquities as these are not inconsistent with a Lawyers Observation, he tells us further in the same Preface, that for his own part, he of his knowledge can affirm, that the Antiquity of a Church Window, for the proof of a match and issue had, hath been delivered in evidence to a Jury at the Assizes, and been accepted. And therefore he hath set down the Arms in Church Windows, and the Inscriptions of Tombs; for that perhaps they may rectifie Armories and Genealogies, and may give testimony, proof, and end to many differences. These are his Words, which I think I may not improperly apply also to my own undertaking.

This was, I confess, a subject much more facile and delightful to be writ of by those who lived before the late civil Wars; that is before the Rebels had tore up so many brass Inscriptions in Churches, and broke the windows of Gods house, where they saw any memorial of Antiquity; as if they had a mind thereby to exterminate the memory of their forefathers, and do what in them lay, that Posterity should not know that there ever was a better Generation of People than themselves.

The violation of funeral Rites was formerly esteem'd a thing abhorrant not only to Christian Religion, but also to the bare humanity of the antient Romans and all the civilized parts of the World, tho Heathen. And tho the old common Laws of England have given an action to the Widdows, and to the Heirs of those whose Monuments are defaced, as may be seen in Sir Edward Cokes 3d. Institutes. p. 202. and in other Books there cited, yet in the Reign of E. 6. some covetous and ill principled People began to be mighty busie at this work, and so also in the beginning of the Reign of Queen Elizabeth, till that wise Queen put a stop to their Career, by her Proclamation dated 19. Sept. in the 2d. year of her Reign, and by another in the 14th. year of her Reign, forbidding under severe Penalties, that any should break or deface any Monument of Antiquity or Inscription set up in Churches, or other publick Places, for the memory of the deceased to their Posterity, only, and not for any religious honour. The said Proclamation of Sept. 19. (too long to be here transcribed) may be seen at large in Weavers Funeral Monuments, fol 50. But the causes that procured the Prohibition of such actions are extreamly worthy note: And they are thus exprest in the words of that Proclamation. — By which means

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means not only the Churches remain at this day spoiled, broken, and ruined, to the offence of all noble and gentle Hearts, and the extinguishing of the honorable and good memory of sundry vertuous and noble Persons deceased, but also the true understanding of divers Families in this Realm (who have descended of the Bloud of the same persons deceased) is thereby so darken'd, as the true course of their Inheritance may be hereafter interrupted contrary to Justice, besides many other offences that do hereof insue.

Thus much I thought not improper to insert in this place, to shew not only the impiety but also the illegality of such actions, which tend only to the disornament of Churches, and to blind the truth of History.

I begin my account of every Town with the state and condition that it was in at the Norman Conquest, above 600. years ago. This I have out of the old Record in the Exchequer call'd Domesday-Book: which is the oldest publick Record in England; begun to be made in the year 1081 (14. W. 1.) by the command of that King; to serve for a punctual and certain information of all the Lands in England, who were at that time the present Owners thereof, and who had been, before the Conquest; how much the several Lordships were worth yearly, and of what contents the same were. At the time of the composing it was a meer Liber censualis or Tax Book; but of later time it is become the most sacred and unquestionable Evidence that is in matters of Tenure.

And in regard the Rights of Advowson and Presentation to Churches hath been always esteem'd a material part of a Lordship, I have inserted the antient Patrons of the several Churches in this County, with the Endowments of several Vicarages, as they remain of Record in the Registry of Lincoln; and these Notes I have had, I must confess, from an abstract of that Register, formerly transcribed by the abovementioned Mr. Roger Dodsworth.

In reading what I cite, out of Domesday-book especially, you will meet with several obsolete and uncommon words, as Berwica, Bordarii, Sockmen, Villain, Saca and Soca, &c. Of all which I will here in the beginning of this Work give an Exposition, chiefly, out of our Law-Books, as the most proper Interpreters, they being all old Words relating to Tenures and Estates.

Berwica, in English a Berew or Berwit, in Domesday-book signifyeth, a Hamlet or Village appurtenant to some other Town or Mannour. And Sir Henry Spelman in his Glossary, describes it to be Manerium minus, ad majus pertinens, non in gremio Manerii sed vel in confinio, vel disjunctius interdum situm est: And according to this signification is Sir Edward Cokes citation out of Domesday in Gloucestersh. Hæ Berwicæ pertinent ad Berckley, & sit recitat plus quam viginti Villas. Co. 1. Inst 116. a.

Bordarii, says Sir Edward Coke, is derived of the French word Borde, a Cottage: and signifyeth the same with Cotarii, that is Bores holding a little house with some land of husbandry, bigger than a Cottage. And Coterelli are meer Cottagers qui Cotagia & Curtilagias tenent. These Bordarii were ever named after the Villani in Domesday-book Co. Lit. fo. 5. b.

Bovata terræ, a Bovate or Oxgange of Land, is as much as an Ox can till, and may contain, Meadow, pasture, and Wood, necessary for such tillage, Co. Lit. fo. 5. a. Octo Bovatæ faciunt Carucatam terræ, & 18. acræ faciunt Bovatam terræ.

Carucata, a Carucate or Carve of Land, otherwise called a Plowland, may contain houses, mills, pasture, meadow, Wood &c. Co. Lit. fo. 86. b. and it is Sir Edw. Cokes opinion, that a Carucate, or Plowland, is not of any certain content, but as much as one plow can by course of husbandry plow in a year, which in some Countries is more than in other, and therefore a Plowland may contain lesse in one place than in another; yet says the same Author, of antient time every Plowland was of the yearly value of 5. nobles per an. and this was the living of a Plowman or Yeoman. Et ex duodecim Carucatis constabat unum feodum militis. Co. Lit. fo. 69. a.

Demesne, or Demain, (Dominicum) hath divers significations. But the most common acceptation of Demesne Lands is to signify the Lords chief seat or Mansion with the Lands thereunto belonging, which he and his Ancestors have from time to time kept in their own manual occupation. Yet in Law all the parts of a Mannour, except what is in the hands of Freeholders, are said to be Demains. Co. Lit. fo. 17. a.

Geldum, in Domesday-Book is generally written for the Danegeld, and so to be understood.

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derstood. Which was a Tax or Tribute imposed by a certain Law in the Saxons time, upon every Town and Village in England. Spelm. Gloss. verb. Geldum. The Rate was at first 12. d. and afterwards raised to 2. s. per an. for every Hide of Land. This Imposition began Anno Domini 1007. in the time of King Etheldred, who was forced by vast sums of money to buy a peace with the Danes, tho it lasted but for a time. However this Tax being once set on foot was continued, till released in part by King Edward the Confessor, and totally by King Steven in the beginning of his Reign. After which the word was never more used, but the like Impositions were in after Ages called Tallages and Taxes, vid. Spelm. Gloss. verb. Danegeldus. Selden, Mare Clausum lib. 2. ca. 11.

Hida. Some hold a Hide of Land to contain four yard Land, some one hundred acres. But Sir Edward Coke is of opinion, that a Hide is all one with a Carucate or Plowland: and that neither is of any certain content, but as much as a plow can till in a year, with good Husbandry. Co. Lit. f. 69. a.

Knights Fee. It is agreed by all good Authors that a Knights fee ought to be estimated not according to the quantity of Land, but the value of the Estate: and that 20 l. per an. was antiently call'd a Knights fee, be the number of acres he held more or lesse. Mr. Selden cites the antient Record call'd Modus tenendi Parliamentum, and shews that the Knights fee is there computed ad viginti Libratas terræ. Seld. Tit. Hon. part. 2. ch. 7. which is land worth 20. l. per an. vide Lows case. Co. Rep. lib. 9. f. 124. these Knights fees at some times were liable to a kind of Tax call'd Escuage, assesse by Parliament higher or lower: and the Tenants in Chivalry paid the same proportionably as they held their estates, some for one Knights fee, some for half, and some for the 20th. and some for the 100th. part of a Knights fee. I have seen a Record in the Exchequer; It is Pasch. 29. E. 3. Inter communia, ex parte Rememoratoris Thesaurarii, Tit. Fines &c. Rotulo quarto in dorso. In which it appears that John Son of Richard le Wright de Hornesburton, gave one penny for his Releif for one Messuage, and the third part of one Bovate of Land in Hornesburton in Holderness in the County of York, which he held of the King, as of his honour of Albemarle, by the service of the one thousand one hundred and fiftieth part of a Knights fee. And the Releif in Chivalry being always a fourth part, his estate was it seems valued at 4 d. per an. now according to this computation the whole Knights fee did amount to 19 l. 3 s. 4 d. Yet hath the value of these Knights fees been very differently estimated in several Kings Reigns, sometimes at 20 l. per an. sometimes at 40 l. sometimes at 15 l. and sometimes at 10 l. per an. as may be seen in the Second Institutes, p. 596.

Leuca, or Leuga. Signifies in Domesday book, a Mile, as then computed; and did contain twelve Quarantenes or Furlongs. Monast. Ang. 1. Vol. f. 313. which according to our present measure, makes a mile and a half.

Librata terræ. Is land of 20 s. per an. value. In old time Lands were granted according to their value, as Centum Libratas terræ, a hundred pound of Land; or centum Solidatas terræ, a hundred shillings of land; as may be seen in the First Institutes fo. 5. b. and in Fitzh. N. B. fo. 87. f. where we read of viginti Libratas, terræ, vel redditus, as two things of the same signification.

Quarantena, is a furlong of Land, containing 40. perches, each perche 16. foot, Twelve of these Quarantenes or Furlongs at the time of the Norman Survey, were accounted to a mile; tho' at this day but eight. Spelm. Gloss. verb. Quarantena.

Saca & Soca. Sac, or Sak is an old word signifying Consens of pleas in a Court belonging to a Mannour, with a Liberty of amercing the Tenants for offences, and levying the said Amerciaments to his own use. Seld. Tit. hon. part. 2. c. 7. The word Sac (says Sir Henry Spelman in his Gloss.) signifies in the Saxon as much as Causa, Lis, Certamen, in the Latine. And I cannot find any different signification of the word Soca.

Sockmen. Socmanni, so often mention'd in Domesday-book, were tenants of Freehold of inheritance, who held their Lands of the Lord in Free Socage, and not by Knights service, paying yearly to their Lords a certain free Rent. Co. Lit. fol. 5. b. Yet did these Socmanni or Freeholders perform certain services beside their Rents. As for Instance: in the Mannour of Stonely in the County of Warwick, the custome was, that each of them at his death should give to the Lord an intire Heriot, i. e. his horse and Armes if he had any, otherwise his best beast. That his heir should be admitted to the inheritance at 15. years of age paying his Rent doubled for a Releif. That in harvest they should upon notice and request come

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come to help the Lord, with every of their Tenants, themselves to ride up and down on horse back to see that the others work well, and both they and their Tenants to have at Noon meat and drink provided by the Lord, &c. *Antiquities of Warwicksh.* p. 170. The Successors of these Sockmen, in such Mannors where the King was Lord at the time of Domesday Survey, are now called Tenants in Antient Demesne, and Capable of several privileges and Immunities. *Co. 4. Inst.* p. 269. Which Privileges and the original cause of them, you may read of, in *Co. 2. Inst.* fol. 542.

Villains, were of two sorts: Villains of Bloud, and Villains of Tenure. The first of these were themselves and their issue Bondmen, and bound to do such services as the Lord should command, *ubi sciri non poterit vesperè quale servitium fieri debet manè.* These had no property in any Estate, they could purchase but the Lord might enter and hold it to his own use. Yet were these Villains free against all men but only their Lords: Neither could the Lord himself kill or maim his villain, for that would be an Infranchisement to him and his posterity. The other Villains were only by Tenure; and they were free men themselves, but only they were obliged to do certain customary services yearly, as to plow and manure the Lords Land, or bring in his harvest &c. The first sort of these are now quite worn out, and in process of time become free like other men. The second sort are now called Coppyholders, which says *Fitzh. N. B.* fol. 12. c. is but a new invented name, for of old time they were called Tenants in Villainage, or of Base tenure. These sort of Tenants in Villainage were before the Conquest, Tenants of Freehold and held by free services; but when they were ejected from their Estates by the Conquering Normans, they afterwards obtain'd back again their old Lands to hold at the will of their new Lords in Villainage, by servile offices, but certain and expresse; yet did their persons remain free tho' their Tenure was servile. *Co. Lit.* fol. 172. b. Villani, in Domesday book, as Sir Edward Coke thinks, are not taken for Bondmen; but such are there called Servi. *Co. Lit.* fol. 5. b. This we ought to understand of the Villains of Bloud, and that the word Villani is applicable in that old Record to the Villains by tenure only; so call'd de Villis, where they inhabited upon Farmes of husbandry, and did their Lords work.

Virgata Terræ, a Yard land; Is a quantity of land of different computation in divers places, in some Countries 10, in some 20, in some 24, in some 30 acres. *Co. Lit.* fol. 5. a.

The Ornamental part of this Book, which is the Cuts and Sculpture, hath been performed at the Charges of several Persons of honour, and Gentlemen of Worship; whose names ought to be remembred while this Book shall last, for the Love they bear to this County, where the Divine, Providence has given them a pleasant Heritage, and to the Memory of their Ancestors, whose ashes remain here. And they are as follows,

His Grace the Duke of Buckingham, gave the plate of Burly Stables, page 32.

The Right honorable William Earl of Denbigh, gave the plate of Martinthorp house. p. 90.

The Right honorable Robert Earl of Aylebury, gave four plates of four curious Monuments of his Lordships Ancestors in Exton Church, viz. Of John Harington Esq; and Alice his Wife, of Sir James Harington Knight, and Dame Lucy his Wife, of John Lord Harington, and of Anne Lady Bruce, p. 54, 55, 57, 59.

The Right honorable Edward Earl of Gainborough, gave the plate of Exton house. p. 49.

The Right honorable Bennet Lord Sherard; gave the plate of the County Map.

The honorable John Noel Esq; gave the plate of the Monument lately erected in Exton Church to the memory of his Brother James Noel Esquire, p. 61.

Sir Thomas Mackworth Baronet, gave the plate of Normanton house, p. 94.

Christopher Brown of Toilethorp Esq; gave the plate of Toilethorp house. p. 128.

Edward Brown of Ryhall Gentleman, second Son of the said Christopher, gave the plate of the County hall within the Castle of Okeham, p. 104.

And of the Clergy, these,

The Reverend the Dean and Chapter of Westminster, Impropiators of the Church of Okeham in this County, gave the plate of the said Church, p. 93.

Abraham Wright Clerk, Vicar of the said Church, and one of the Governours of the old Hospital at Okeham, gave two plates of Arms and Antiquities in the windows of the said Church and Hospital, p. 101, 102.

George Topham Clerk, Prebendary of the Prebend of Ketton founded in the Church of Lincoln, gave the plate of Ketton Church, p. 72.

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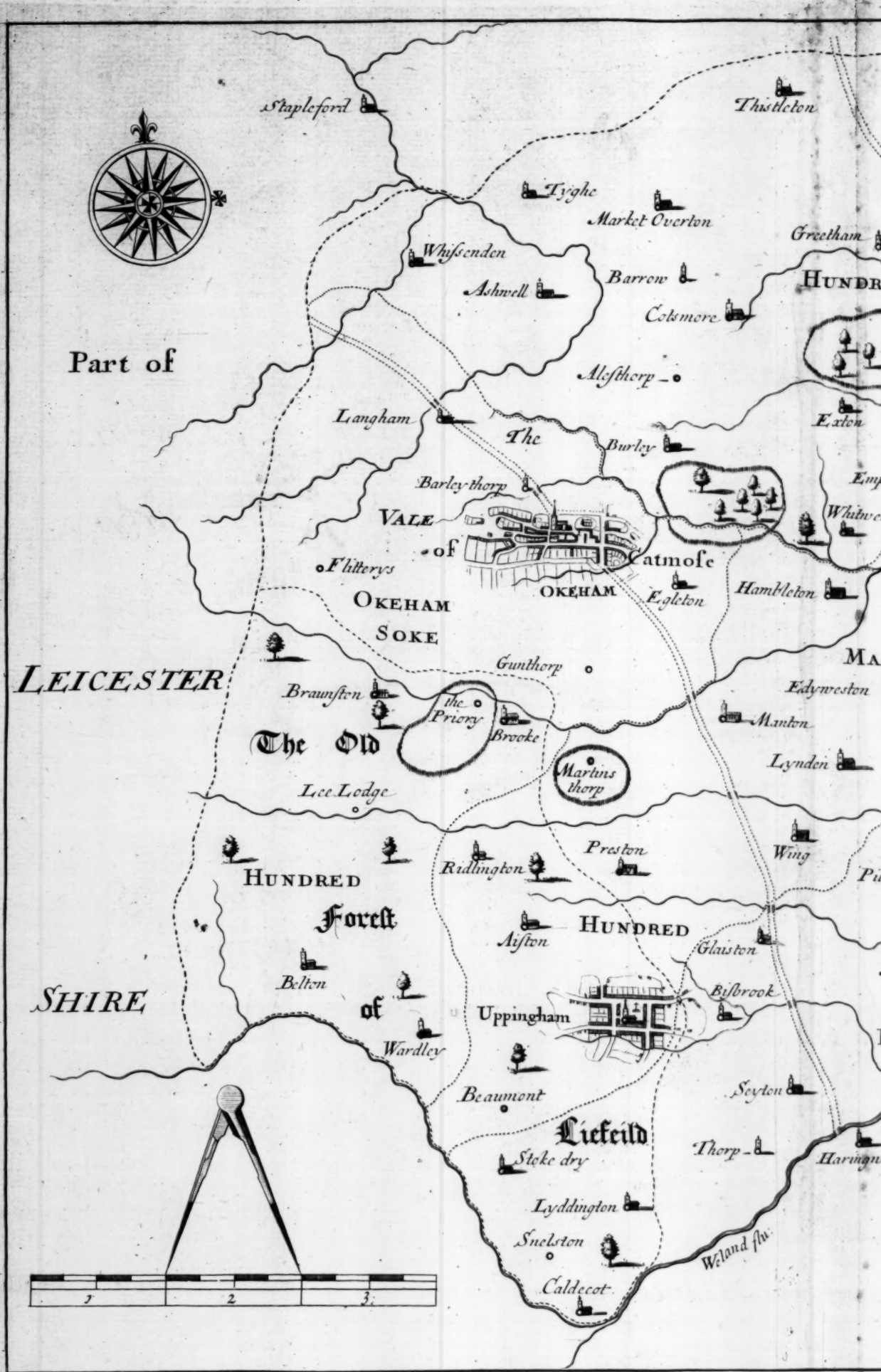
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THE HISTORY AND ANTIQUITIES OF RUTLANDSHIRE.

Of the County in General.

THE County of Rutland, or (as it is latinized) *Rotelandia*, is sufficiently known to be the least County in this Kingdom: Its form round: Its dimensions not above some twelve miles over in any place: Its situation is on the North parts of *Northamptonshire*, (from which it is divided by the River *Wel-* land), on the East of *Leicestershire*, and South of *Lincolnshire*: By which three Counties this is enclosed from the rest of *England*.

Concerning the Etymology of the Name; there goes a Tale of one *Rut*, who rid round this County in a day: In memorial of which act, the space of ground so encircled, was from him called *Rutland*. Another opinion (a little, and but a little, more probable) is, that it took that name from the ruddy complexion of the Soil. Which notwithstanding I never perceived, but in one part of the County, and that about *Glatton*. And no doubt there is few Shires in *England*, but produce a Mould of the same colour in some parts or other. To these therefore let me add one Etymology more, which is, that *Rotelandia* may possibly be so named from its Circular form, quasi *Rotunda-landia*, or *Rotundlandia*, which by contraction, leaving out the Consonants, *n* and *d*, for the more easie pronunciation, makes *Rotulandia*.

And this the rather, because the word *Rotunda*, signifying not only round, but well fashioned, handsom, and perfect, may in all its significations be justly applied to this County.

Touching the Original of this County, it is to be noted, that *Rutland*, as it is now limited, was not a County of it self at the time of the *Roman* Conquest, and that a great part of the Towns, those especially, which lie on the South limits of this Shire, did at that time belong to the County of *Northampton*; and as part of that County, they are to be found under the Title of *Northamptonshire*, in the General Survey taken in the Reign of King *William* the first, commonly call'd *Domesday Book*. In which Book, and under the said Title of *Northamptonshire*, hath been (of later times) inserted the following Note;

*Inquisitio coram VVillielmo de Saham
& Sociis suis, inter Rageman de
An. 4. E. 1.*

Com Northant. Hundr. de Sutton Juratores Inquisit.) quot Hundred. &c. sint in Com. Northant. dicunt quod Comitatus Roteland. quondam fuit pertinens ad Com. istum quousq; Dominus H. rex pater Domini regis nuncillum dedit Domino regi Alman. sed nesciunt de modo, (huic concordat Hundred. de Spelho & plura alia Hundreda ibidem.)

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Which

VVhich part of this County, then belonging to **Northamptonshire**, was at that time known by the name of **Wicel-sea VVapentake**.

The other Towns, now belonging to this County were at that time (as I conceive) in some sort appertaining to the County of **Nottingham**, in regard they are to be found adjoining to that Title in the abovementioned Survey of *Domesday*. And the authority of the Sheriff of **Nottinghamshire** did remain a long time after in **Rutland**; for by a Statute made 51 H. 3. That Sheriff is appointed to be Escheator for this Country.

Stat. de
Scaccario
51. H. 3.

And here we must note, that at the Conquest, the name **Roteland** was proper to those few Towns only, last abovementioned, as part of **Nottinghamshire**.

VVhich were these, *Viz.*

Ezetham
Cotesmore
Obertune
and **Straton**
Tistertune
Tie
Wichingedene
Exentune
Witewelle
Alestanestorp
Burgelai
Exwelle

In **Alfnodestou VVa-**
pentac.

Ocheham Cherchefoch
cum v. Berewicis.

Hamelune Cherchefoch
cum vii. Berew.

Redlinctune Cherchefoch
cum vii. Berew.

In **Martine-**
lete VVa-
pentac.

VVhich two VVapentacs, at the time of the Conquerors Survey, did belong to the Sherifdom, or charge of the Sheriff of **Nottingham** for the gathering of the Kings Tax or Revenue, which in those days did amount to a hundred and fifty pounds of silver per *Ann.* from **Roteland**:

Domesd. Tit.
Rotel.

The VVords of the Record are,
Hec duo Wapent. adjacent Vicecomitatui
Snorthingham ad geld. Regis. **Ro-**
teland reddat regi C L. libras albas.

However tho **Roteland** was formerly no County of itself; yet was it to some

purposes, even at that time, an entire parcel of Land, or Soak, as appears by *Domesday Book*, where speaking of the Estate which *Gislebert de Gant* held in **Empingham**, we may read these words,

Ipse ten. in ead. Villa vii. hid. & dim. Domes. Tit.
& unam Bovatam terre de Soca regis de Northamp.
Roteland, & dicit Regem suum Advocatum esse. No. 46.

To this may be added what we read in *Cambden*, viz. That King Edward the Confessor by his last VVill and Testament bequeathed this little County (i. e. so much of it, as then bore the name of **Roteland**) to his wife *Eadith* for her life, and after her death to St. *Peters* at **Westminster**: In these words,

Camb. Brit.
Rut.

Volo quod post mortem Eadithæ Regine
Conjugis meæ Roteland cum omnibus ad
se pertinentibus detur Monasterio meo Bea-
tissimi Petri, & reddatur sine tardatione
Abbati & Monachis ibidem Deo servientibus in perpetuum.

Besides this VVill mentioned by Mr. *Cambden*, there is a large Charter of the said King *Edwards* to be seen in Sir *William Dugdales Monasticon*, whereby that pious King, confirming to the said Church divers Lands formerly given by other Kings his Predecessors:

It follows,

— *Postremo ego ipse pro spe retributi-*
onis æternæ & pro remissione delictorum Monast. Angl.
meorum & pro animabus patris mei, & 1 Vol. 61.
matris meæ, & omnium parentum meorum,
& ad laudem omnipotentis Dei, posui in Do-
talium, & in perpetuam hereditatem su-
per Altare, varia ornamentorum Genera
quibus Ecclesiæ serviretur, vel in quotidianis
vel solemnibus ministeriis: & ad usus fra-
trum inibi Deo servientium, de meo jure,
quod mihi soli competeat absq; ullius recla-
matione vel contradictione, Ista (inter alia)
Roteland cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus,
post mortem Edgithæ Regine.

Which Charter was dated at **Westminster** on the day of the Holy Innocents, *Ann. Dom.* 1064. and in the 25th. year of that Kings Reign.

But this Donation was soon after cancelled, and made void by King *William* the Conquerour upon his arrival in this Nation, allowing only to the Church of **Westminster** the Tithes of **Roteland**, which Tyths, in process of time, were also diminished

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diminisht to those only of the Church of **Okeham** and parcels thereunto appertaining; but as to the Lands, he reserving a great part of them to himself, divided the rest among **Robert Mallet** a Norman, Lord Chamberlain of **England**; **Gilbert de Gant** who came into **England** in his Army, and was his Wives Brothers Son; **Earl Hugh**; **Albertus**, or **Aubrey**, the Clerk; and divers others: But in a more special manner, he exprest his bounty to his Neice **Judith** daughter of **Lambert de Leins**, and **Maud** Countess of **Albemarle**, the Conquerors sister by the Mothers side: To which **Judith**, her said Uncle gave eighty six Lordships in **Northamptonshire** and **Rutland**. She became the Wife of **Walsbeof** Earl of **Northumberland**, a Saxon of great account, whom the Conqueror made also Earl of **Northampton** and **Huntington**; but the said **Walsbeof** being afterwards (*viz.* Anno 1073.) beheaded, for conspiring against the King; and this Countess **Judith**, being suspected of promoting her Husbands death, she lived a penitent Widdow all the rest of her life. She founded the Priory of **Helenstow** in **Barkshire**, and procured from King **William** a Charter of divers immunities for the Monks of **Saltry** in **Huntingtonshire**, which Religious House she much frequented in her time.

But to return from this digression, It seems that **Rutland** was a County before **Henry** the Third's time: For in the Fifth of King **John**, **Isabel** his new Queen had, at her Coronation, assigned her in Parliament, for her Dower, among other Lands, *Com. Roteland. & villam de Rokingham, in Com. Northampt. de communi assensu & concordia voluntate Archiepiscoporum, Episcoporum, Comitum, Baronum, Cleri, & populi totius Regni.*

Also in the twelfth year of the said King **John**, **Robert de Braibroc**, as Custos or Sheriff of this County, did account for the Profits of the same, in the Exchequer. Of which *Custodes*, being, I suppose, neither more nor less in effect than Sheriffs, there is to be found a large Catalogue, even from the tenth year of **Henry** the Second: Some of which held the Office for life, as may appear by the List hereafter inserted. By all which it appears, that **Rutland**, tho not a County at the time of the Norman Con-

quest, yet was made such long before the time of King **Henry** the Third.

Of the Wapentakes or Hundreds at the Conquest.

AT the time of the Survey made by *Domesday Tiri Rotel.* **William** the Conqueror, commonly called *Domesday* Book; There were in **Roteland**, (I mean so much of the present County, as then bore that name) only two Wapentakes; **Alfnodestow**, and **Martinesleie**.

In **Alfnodestow** Wapentac were two Hundrets, in each of which were reckon'd twelve Carucates, as they were taxed or rated to the Geld, but in each of the said two Hundrets there was really twenty and four Carucates. This Wapentac (saith the Record) is half in **Curgastune** Wapentac, and half in **Bochelou** Wapentac. That is, it was at that day accounted as part of those two Wapentakes in **Nottinghamshire**.

In **Martinesleie** Wapentac was one Hundret, in which was reckon'd twelve Carucates, as taxed or rated to the Geld; and forty eight Plows might possibly be going therein, besides the three demesne Mannours of the King, in which there might be fourteen Plows.

These two Wapentacs (as I observed before) did in those dayes belong to the Vice County or Sherifdom of **Nottingham** for the collection of the Kings Tax or Geld.

Thus far out of the ancient Record called *Domesday Book*.

Of the Hundreds, 9. E. 2.

IT was found by inquisition taken at *Nomina Vill. in Scacc. ex parte Rem Thei. Fol. 106.* **Okeham** on Tuesday next before the Feast of **S. Tiburtius** and **Valerian** (which is *Apr. 14.*) in 9 E. 2. before **Gillert Holme** the Sheriff (or under Sheriff) of **Rutland**, that there was at that time in this County four Hundreds, *Viz.*

1. **Martinesle.**
2. **Alneftowe.**
3. **Est Hundred.**
4. **Alzondedyke.**

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Bar. Eng. 1 Vol. 55.

Id. 56.

Rot. Cart. 17. Joh. p. 29.

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Videsis etiam, Origen. Juridicales, cap. 5. pag. 16.

Of the three first of which, the King was Lord, and received the profits of the same, (as in the Sheriffs turns, and Suit of Courts) except in certain Liberties; all, which profits of the said Hundreds were at that time assigned to the Lady *Margaret de Gaveston* Countess of *Cornwall* to hold at the Kings will.

The Fourth, viz. *Wangedyke* was found to be late the Estate of *Guy de Bellocampo* Earl of *Warwick*, and was at that time in the Kings hands by reason of the Nonage of *Thomas* Son and Heir of the said Earl: In which Hundred the Bishop of *Lincoln* had his Liberty in the Soke of *Lyddinton*.

And note, That then the present Hundred of *Okeham* Soke was included in that of *Martinsfle*, which are now two distinct Hundreds.

Of the Hundreds at this day.

THE County of *Rutland* is at this day divided into five Hundreds, viz. *Okeham* Soke, *Alstoe*, *East* Hundred, *Wangedyke*, and *Martinsfle*.

1. *Okeham* Soke lies on the edge of *Leicestershire*, and contains chiefly the West parts of this Shire, except one Town call'd *Clipsham*, lying in the utmost limits Northwards on the borders of *Lincolnshire*, the whole Hundred of *Alstoe* being interposed. In this Hundred are contain'd about nine Towns, among which one Market, *Okeham*.

2. *Alstoe* Hundred takes up the North Parts, and borders on part of *Leicester* and *Lincoln* Shires, and contains in its division twelve Towns.

3. The *East* Hundred lies (as its name imports) on the East Limits of this County, towards *Stamford*; and hath in its division about thirteen Towns and Villages.

4. *Wangedyke* or *Barowden* Hundred takes up the South parts of this County, and is bounded by the River *Weland*, parting this and *Northamptonshire*, this Hundred contains about fourteen Towns and Villages.

5. The Hundred of *Martinsfle* lies in the middle of the County, enclosed with the other four, and has formerly contain'd in its division twelve Towns

and Villages, among which one Market, *Uppingham*.

There is also another Hundred (tho not commonly so accounted in the ordinary computation) and that is the Hundred of *Casserton parva*, lying wholly within the East Hundred, and contains eight Towns and Villages, part of East Hundred, as commonly reputed: viz. *Little Casserton*, *Ryal*, *Belmeschozp*, *Erzenden*, *Einwel*, *Inthorp*, *Ticken-cote*, and *Coletthorp*. Which said Hundred of *Little Casserton* together with many large Priviledges and Liberties to the same belonging, King *Henry* the Seventh on the fourteenth day of *May* in the nineteenth year of his Reign, granted to *Christopher Brown*, Esq; whose Heir of the same name, enjoys the same at this day.

Ex Antogr. penes Chr. Brown Armig.

Concerning the Ecclesiastical Government, this County was always under the Archdeacon of *Northampton*, and part of the Diocess of *Lincoln*, till the year 1541. At which time King *Henry* the eighth, erecting a new Bishoprick at *Peterborough*, made *John Chambers* (the last Abbot there) the first Bishop of that See, and assigned to his Jurisdiction, the Archdeaconry of *Northampton* and *Rutland*, which last is now one of the Rural Deanery's of that Diocess, having within its limits forty nine Parish Churches, or Chappels Parochial; five of which, viz. *Empingham*; *Ketton cum Cirober*; and *Lyddington cum Caldecot*, being three Prebends belonging to the Church of *Lincoln*, are of peculiar Jurisdiction, and exempt from the Ordinary.

In the Kings Book of valuations.

There are Rectories ———— 31
Vicarages ———— 12

In 45 E. 3. (1371.) this County did contain forty four Parishes, out of all which, was paid to the Aid then granted in Parliament for the Wars in France the Sum of 255 l. 4 s. viz. the Sum of 5. l. 16. s. from every Parish one with another.

Stows Annals Fol. 268.

I Will now proceed to give an account of the General Officers which have been belonging to this County, so far as I can recover their names. And first for the noble Earls of **Rutland**.

But before I mention the History of their persons, I conceive it not improper to say something of their Title, and Office, or Jurisdiction.

Earls in Latin *Comites*, were so called (as all good Authors do agree) à *Comitatu sive à Societate Principis qui etiam dici possunt Consules à consulendo*. These were Persons of the greatest eminency, and were in continual attendance upon their Princes, for matters of Council and Authority. Some think the Name and Office came to us as also to the French, from the Roman Emperors, who when that Empire was grown to the full strength, begun to have about them a certain Privy Council, which was called *Cæsaris Comitatus*, and then those whose counsel they used in War and Peace were termed *Comites*: Or rather, (as I find it in another Author) those Emperours stiled them in War *Commilitones*, in the Court *Comites*.

By the Saxons they are called *Ealdormen*, or *Eorles*, from whence cometh our word *Earls*, in whose disposition and Government (saith Mr. Selden) upon delegation from the King, the County was; the Title of Earl being then Officer and not Hereditary, except in some particular Shires. These Earls sat in the *Scyre mote* with the Bishop of the Diocess twice every year, where Charge was given touching God's Right and the World's Right. (Or as in another Author, *Agantur itaque primò debita veræ Christianitatis iura; secundò Regis placita; postremò causæ singulorum dignis satisfactionibus expleantur*.) But by the Conquerour this meddling of the Bishop in *Turnes* was prohibited.

These Earls were the Chief Governors or Justices of the Respective Counties under the King, and they received the third part of the Profits of the County to themselves, the other two parts going to the King. (I speak not of

those Earldomes that were Palatinate, as **Chester** after, and **Mercland** before the Conquest; for they had the whole profit.) These Earls, who were the Kings Officers, did exercise in old time very great power, in granting, releasing, and imposing Liberties and Exactions, which since only the Crown hath as unseperably annexed unto it.

But this power whatsoever it was, together with [their third part of the profit of the County is now ceas'd, and by time quite worn away. The Sheriff being now the Kings immediate Officer in the several Counties, who in former times was only a Deputy to the Earl; as the name imports, *Vice Comes*, or Vicount, (of latter times made a Title of Honour, tho formerly Officer only) subordinate to the Earl, as the Earl was to the King.

One Remarkable instance of the ancient power of these Earls is given by the Learned Selden in these words, I have seen Original Letters of Protection (a perfect and uncommunicable power Royal) by that great Prince Richard Earl of **Positers** and **Cornwal**, Brother to Henry 3. sent to the Sheriff of **Rutland**, for and in behalf of a Nunnery about **Stamford**.

From this Authority of Mr. Selden, I think, I may safely make this further Observation; that tho this County of **Rutland**, did not give Title to any Earl before the thirteenth of Richard the Second, yet it had virtually an Earl long before, who was Superior to the Sheriff in **Rutland**, as the Earls were in other Counties: and that those whose Names we find in the following list of Sheriffs, during the latter part of the Reign of H. 3. and the beginning of E. 1. were but his Deputies.

And this seems the more probable, in regard that King H. 3. in the thirty sixth year of his Reign, granted the Mannour and Castle of **Okeham** in this County to the said Richard Earl of **Cornwal**, (who was also King of the Romans) in Tail, whose Son and Successor Edmund Earl of **Cornwal**, in 28 E. 1. died seized of the said Castle and Mannour with several Members thereunto belonging, as also of the Bailiwick or Shrievalty of the County of **Rutland**, without Issue.

Earls

Seld. Notes on Polyolb. p. 224.

Camb Brit. pag. 167.

Seld. Notes on Polyolbion pag. 193.

Antiq. Warw. pag. 299.

Bar. Engl. 1 Vol. 764, 766.

Earls of RUTLAND.

1. Edward.

Bar. Eng.
2 Vol. 156.

THE first Earl, entitled from this County that I read of, was *Edward* Eldest Son to *Edmund* surnamed of *Langele* Earl of *Cambridge*, and Duke of *York*, fifth Son of King *Edward* the third. Which *Edward* was Created Earl of *Rutland*, Feb. 25. in the thirteenth year of King *Richard* the second, but to enjoy that Title no longer than his Fathers life. In the fourteenth year of *Richard* the second, he was Constituted Lord Admiral, in the next year he was made Justice of all the Kings Forests South of *Trent*. In the twentieth year of *Richard* the second he was Constituted Governour of the Isles of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, and *Might*, Warden of *Newforest*, Constable of *Dober* Castle, and Warden of the Cinque Ports: And in the one and twentieth year of *Richard* the second, Constable of *England*, and in the same year advanced to the Title of Duke of *Albemarle*. Soon after which, upon King *Richards* deposal in Parliament, held the first year of *Henry* the fourth, his Title of Duke was taken from him. Yet afterwards he obtain'd such favour with the King, that in the Parliament held the seventh year of *Henry* the fourth he was restored to his Hereditary Title of Duke of *York*. This *Edward* built and endowed the Colledge of *Fotheringhay*, in which Church he was buried, being kill'd in the Battle of *Agincourt*, the third year of *Henry* the fifth. He dying without Issue, his Nephew *Richard*, Eldest Son of his younger Brother *Richard* of *Coningsborough* Earl of *Cambridge*, was found to be his next heir. This *Richard* was also heir on his Mothers side to *Edmund* Mortimer Earl of *March*, viz. Son of *Ann* Daughter of *Roger de Mortimer*, Earl of *March*, and Sister of the said *Edmund*, who dyed without Issue, the third year of *Henry* the fifth. This great Prince, great by his Father, but greater by his Mothers side, as being descended from *Lionel* Duke of *Clarence*, third Son of King *Edward* the third, Married *Cecily* Daughter of *Ralph Nevil* Earl of *Westmorland*,

and by her had several Sons; among others, *Edward* Earl of *March*, (afterwards King by the name of *Edward* the fourth) and *Edmund*; Id. 161.

Which *Edmund* was Created Earl of *Rutland*; but little enjoy'd that Title, being barbarously stab'd by the Lord *Clifford*, presently after the Battle of *Wakefield*, (in which Battle his Father lost his life) this *Edmund* being then but twelve years of age, Anno Dom. 1460. 2. Edmund.

The Title of Earl of *Rutland* being thus determined in the Males of this Royal Family, we shall find it however continued to the present possessor by a Female. For the abovesaid *Richard* Duke of *York*, Father to King *Edward* the fourth, had several Daughters; of which *Ann*, the Eldest, was married first to *Henry Holland* Duke of *Exeter*, Id. 296. from whom being divorced (the twelfth year of *Edward* the fourth) and having no issue by him, she afterwards became the Wife of Sir *Thomas St. Leger*, Knight, by whom she had one sole Daughter and heir, *Ann*, Married to *George Maners*, Lord *Roos* in right of his Mother, Sister and Coheir to *Edmund* Lord *Roos*; which *George* Lord *Roos* dying in the fifth year of *Henry* the eighth left issue by the said *Ann*, *Thomas Maners* Lord *Roos*, who in consideration of his high descent, as above specified, was on the twenty eighth of *June* in the seventeenth year of King *Henry* the eighth, advanced to the Title and Dignity of Earl of *Rutland*, intail to him and his heirs Males of his body.

Which said Earl *Thomas* Married *Alianore* Daughter of Sir *William Pa-ston* Knight, by whom he had issue *Henry* his next Successor, *John* who took to Wife one of the Daughters and Coheirs of Sir *George Vernon* of *Haddon* in *Com. Derby*, *Roger*, *Thomas*, and *Oliver*: And departed this life, September the twentieth, in the five and thirtieth year of *Henry* the eighth. 3. Thomas.

Henry

4. Henry.

Henry Earl of Rutland, Son and heir of the said Earl Thomas, was in the second year of Edward the sixth, made Constable of Nottingham Castle, and cheif Justice of the Forest of Shirewood. In the third and fourth of Phillip and Mary, he was made Captain general of all the forces then designed against France. In the first of Elizabeth he was constituted Lieutenant of the Counties of Nottingham and Rutland; and in the third year of that Queen, Lord President of the Council in the North, and installed Knight of the most Noble Order of the Garter, and dyed the seventeenth of September 1563. (5. Eliz.)

5. Edward.

Edward, Son and heir of the said Henry, succeeded; who among divers other honours, was in the year 1582, Constituted Lieutenant of the County of Lincoln, and in the year 1584. Install'd Knight of the Garter; and departed this life the fourteenth of April, 1587. without issue Male.

6. John.

Whereupon John his Brother, as heir Male succeeded to the honour and Dignity of Earl of Rutland, who, in the nine and twentieth of Elizabeth, was made Constable of Nottingham Castle, and soon after Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, and died 21 February 1587. Leaving issue Roger, Francis, and George.

7. Roger.

Which Roger, succeeding his Father, was in the first year of King James made Lord Lieutenant of Lincolnshire, and sent Embassador into Denmark with the Order of the Garter to that King, and dying without issue the 26 June, 1912.

8. Francis.

Francis his Brother and heir, succeeded, who among divers other honours, was Justice in Eire of all the Forests North of Trent, and Knight of the most Noble Order of the Garter. But

died without issue male, the 17 December, 1632. (8. Car 1.)

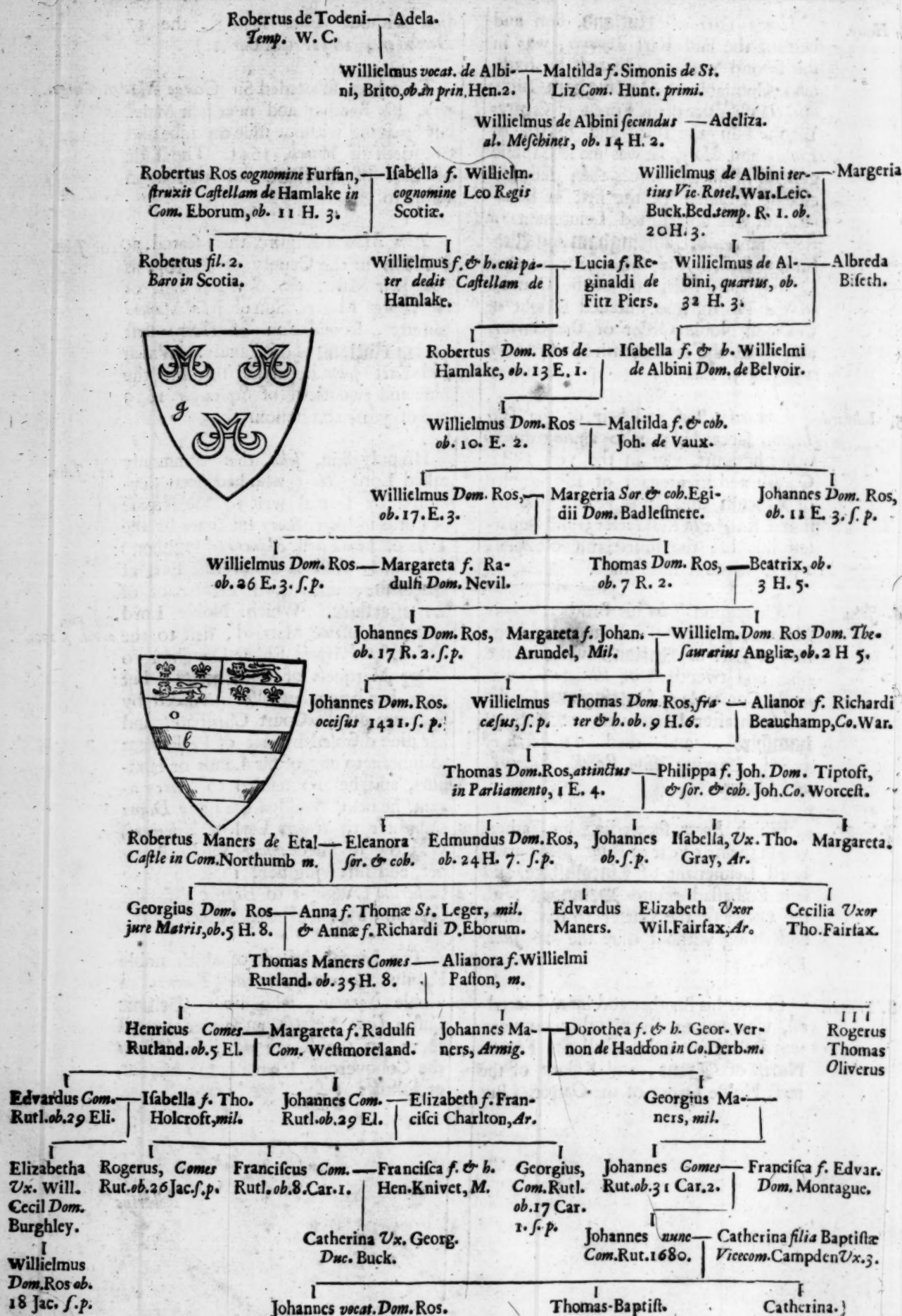
To whom succeeded Sir George Maners, his Brother and next heir Male, but he dying without issue the nine and twentieth of March, 1641. The Title of Earl of Rutland did thereupon resort to

John Maners Esquire, then seated at Paddon in the County of Derby, as next heir Male, viz. Son and heir of Sir George Maners, Son of John Maners Esquire, second Son of Thomas first Earl of Rutland of this Family. Which said Earl John departing this life the nine and twentieth of September 1679 full of years and honour,

His only Son, John, then commonly called Lord Ros (who had been summoned by special writ to the House of Lords in his Fathers life time, by the Title of John Lord Maners of Paddon) succeeded: And is the present Earl of Rutland, and Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire. Which Noble Lord hath been thrice Married, first to the Lady Ann Pierpont Eldest Daughter to Henry Marquess of Dorchester; but from her being lawfully divorced by Sentence of the Court Christian, and her issue disabled by Act of Parliament to inherit to any of his Lands or Honours, and he also inabled to Marry again, he next Wedded the Lady Diana Daughter to Robert Earl of Aylesbury, Widdow of Sir Seamour Shirley Baronet, and surviving her, took to Wife Catherine Daughter to Baptist Viscount Campden, by whom he hath issue.

The Lineal descent of which noble Family from Robert de Toden, a Noble Norman, who built Belboie Castle, Com. Leicest, and seated himself there, in the Reign of King William the Conquerour, I have here inserted, as follows.

Robertus



Sberiffs of RUTLAND.

THE first Sheriff of this County, of whom I find any mention, is *Richard de Humet*, Constable of *Normandy*, in the time of King *Henry 2.* to whom that King granted the Custody of this County, in the 10th. year of his Reign, and therefore it is to be presumed that *Rutland* was made a County of it self about that year.

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An. Dom. A.R.

1164 10 *Richard. de Humet.*

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* Al. Wil. Basset. 1168 14*

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1184 30

1185 31

1186 32

1187 33

* Al. Almericus Dispenser. 1188 34*

RICH. 1.

1190 1*

1191 2

1192 3

1193 4

1194 5

1195 6

1196 7

1197 8

1198 9

Anna Brigg.

Will. Albene & Will. Fresney.

Idem.

Williel. Albene, vel Albini.

JOH.

1200 1

1201 2

1202 3

1203 4

1204 5

1205 6

1206 7

Benedic. de Haversham.

Robertus Maldnit.

Idem.

Radulph. Normanvil.

Idem.

Idem.

An. Dom. A.R.

1207 8

1208 9

1209 10

1210 11

1211 12

1212 13

1213 14

1214 15

1215 16

1216 17

Idem.

Robert. & Hen. de Brabro.

Idem.

HENR. 3.

1217 1

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1219 3

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1222 6

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1259 43

Robert. & Hen. de Brabro.

Alan. Basset.

Idem.

Galfrid. de Rockingham.

Idem.

Radulph. de Greneham.

Idem.

Anketyn de Markinal.

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An. Dom. A.R.

1260	44	
1261	45	
1262	46	
1263	47	
1264	48	
1265	49	
1266	50	Idem.
1267	51	
1268	52	
1269	53	
1270	54	
1271	55	
1272	56	

EDWARD. 1.

1273	1	Pet. Wakervil, & Wil. Bouile.
1274	2	
1275	3	
1276	4	
1277	5	Idem.
1278	6	
1279	7	
1280	8	
1281	9	Alberic. de Whitleler.
1282	10	
1283	11	
1284	12	
1285	13	Idem.
1286	14	
1287	15	
1288	16	
1289	17	Edmund Comes Cornubie.
1290	18	
1291	19	
1292	20	
1293	21	
1294	22	
1295	23	Idem.
1296	24	
1297	25	
1298	26	
1299	27	
1300	28	
1301	29	
1302	30	Marg. Vidua Edm. Com. Corn.
1303	31	
1304	32	Eadem.
1305	33	
1306	34	

EDWARD. 2.

1308	1	Marg. Vid. Edm. Com. Corn.
1309	2	
1310	3	Eadem.
1311	4	

An. Dom. A.R.

1312	5	Eadem.
1313	6	Marg. Vidua Pierce Gaveston
1314	7	
1315	8	Eadem.
1316	9	Hugo de Andeley, qui duxit in
1317	10	uxorem prædictam Marga.
1318	11	
1319	12	Idem.
1320	13	
1321	14	
1322	15	John de Aldeburgh.
1323	16	Idem.
1324	17	Edmund Comes Cantii.
1325	18	Idem.
1326	19	

EDWARD. 3.

1327	1	Hugo de Andeley Comes Glouc.
1328	2	
1329	3	
1330	4	
1331	5	
1332	6	
1333	7	
1334	8	
1335	9	
1336	10	
1337	11	Idem.
1338	12	
1339	13	
1340	14	
1341	15	
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1346	20	
1347	21	
1348	22	Wil. de Bohun Com. Northam.
1349	23	
1350	24	
1351	25	
1352	26	
1353	27	
1354	28	Idem.
1355	29	
1356	30	
1357	31	
1358	32	
1359	33	Willielmus Wade.
1360	34	
1361	35	Idem.
1362	36	
1363	37	
1364	38	Humph. de Bohun.
1365	39	Idem.

An. Dom.	A.R.	
1366	40	
1367	41	
1368	42	
1369	43	Idem.
1370	44	
1371	45	
1372	46	
1373	47	Johannes de Whittlesbrough.
1374	48	Idem.
1375	49	Simon Ward.
1376	50	Idem.

RICH. 2.

1378	1	Johannes Whittlebury.
1379	2	Thomas de Burton.
1380	3	Johannes Basings.
1381	4	Willielmus Morwood.
1382	5	Johannes de Whittlesbury.
1383	6	Willielmus Flore.
1384	7	Walterus Scarle.
1385	8	Johannes de Calverley.
1386	9	Robertus de Veer.
1387	10	Idem.
1388	11	Johannes Whittlebury.
1389	12	Walterus Skarles.
1390	13	Edwardus Com. Rutland.
1391	14	
1392	15	
1393	16	
1394	17	Idem.
1395	18	
1396	19	
1397	20	
1398	21	Thomas Ondeley.
1399	22	Idem.

HEN. 4.

Recorda manca per totum
hujus Regnum.

HEN. 5.

1413	1	Thomas Ondeby.
1414	2	Jacobus Bellers.
1415	3	Johannes Boyvill.
1416	4	Thomas Burton, Mil.
1417	5	Robertus Brown.
1418	6	Robertus Chisleden.
1419	7	Johannes Pensax.
1420	8	Thomas Burton, Mil.
1421	9	Idem.

HEN. 6.

1422	1	Thomas Burton.
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An. Dom.	A.R.	
1423	2	Johannes Ondeby.
1424	3	Johannes Davis, Mil.
1425	4	Johannes Colepeper.
1426	5	Henr. Plessington, Mil.
1427	6	Thomas Burton, Mil.
1428	7	Johannes Denys.
1429	8	Johannes Colepeper.
1430	9	Thomas Flore.
1431	10	Henr. Plessington, Mil.
1432	11	Johannes Boyvile.
1433	12	Willielmus Beauso.
1434	13	Rob. Davis & Joha. Pilton.
1435	14	Johannes Branspath.
1436	15	Hugo Boyvile.
1437	16	Laurentius Sherard.
1438	17	Willielmus Beauso.
1439	18	Thomas Burton.
1440	19	Henr. Plessington, Mil.
1441	20	Thomas Flore.
1442	21	Willielmus Beauso.
1443	22	Thomas Barkeley.
1444	23	Johannes Basings, Mil.
1445	24	Willielmus Walker.
1446	25	Johannes Boyvile.
1447	26	Willielmus Haselden.
1448	27	Hugo Boyvile.
1449	28	Robertus Fenne.
1450	29	Thomas Flore.
1451	30	Willielmus Heton.
1452	31	Robertus Sherard.
1453	32	Robertus Fenne.
1454	33	Willielmus Beauso.
1455	34	Willielmus Haselden.
1456	35	Thomas Flore.
1457	36	Thomas Dale.
1458	37	Robertus Fenne.
1459	38	Everardus Digby.
1460	39	

EDW. 4.

1461	1	Johannes Francis.
1462	2	Thomas Palmer.
1463	3	Idem.
1464	4	Willielmus Greenham.
1465	5	Thomas Flore.
1466	6	Richardus Sapcots, Mil.
1467	7	Willielmus Brown.
1468	8	Galfridus Sherard.
1469	9	Johannes Dale.
1470	10	Thomas Flore.
1471	11	Brian Talbot.
1472	12	Thomas Barkley, Mil.
1473	13	Willielmus Haselden.
1474	14	Johannes Pilton.
1475	15	Willielmus Brown.

An Dom.	A.R.	
1476	16	Johannes Sapcote.
1477	17	David Malpas.
1478	18	Henry Mackworth.
1479	19	Johannes Pilton.
1480	20	Gulfredus Sherard.
1481	21	Willielmus Palmer.
1482	22	David Malpas.

EDWARD. 5.

1483	1	Willielmus Brown.
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RICHARD. 3.

1484	1	Gulfredus Sherard.
1485	2	Johannes Pilton.

HENRY. 7.

1486	1	Everardus Digby.
1487	2	Willielmus Brown.
1488	3	David Malpas.
1489	4	Maurice Barkley.
1490	5	Thomas Sapcots.
1491	6	Johannes Digby, Mil.
1492	7	Robertus Harington.
1493	8	Christopher Brown.
1494	9	Johannes Pilton.
1495	10	Thomas Sherard.
1496	11	Thomas Sapcots.
1497	12	George Mackworth.
1498	13	Robertus Harington.
1499	14	Everardus Digby.
1500	15	Johannes Chisleden.
1501	16	Christopher Brown.
1502	17	Johannes Digby.
1503	18	Johannes Harington.
1504	19	Mauritius Berkely.
1505	20	Willielmus Pole.
1506	21	Thomas Sherard.
1507	22	Richard Flowr.
1508	23	Johannes Coly.
1509	24	Everardus Feilding, Mil.

HENRY. 8.

1509	1	Christopher Brown.
1510	2	Edward Sapcote.
1511	3	George Mackworth.
1512	4	Johannes Harington.
1513	5	Everardus Digby.
1514	6	Thomas Brookesby.
1515	7	Johannes Caldecot.
1516	8	Johannes Harington.
1517	9	Johannes Digby, M.
1518	10	Everardus Digby.
1519	11	Willielmus Fielding.

An Dom.	A.R.	
1520	12	Johannes Harington, Jun.
1521	13	Johannes Harington, Sen.
1522	14	George Mackworth.
1523	15	Johannes Digby, M.
1524	16	Franciscus Brown.
1525	17	Johannes Caldecot.
1526	18	Willielmus Fielding.
1527	19	Edwardus Sapcots.
1528	20	Everardus Digby, M.
1529	21	Edwardus Catesby.
1530	22	Georgius Mackworth.
1531	23	Edwardus Sapcots.
1532	24	Everardus Digby, M.
1533	25	Johannes Harington, M.
1534	26	Georgius Mackworth.
1535	27	Edwardus Sapcots.
1536	28	Andreas Noel, Ar.
1537	29	Thomas Brudnel, Ar.
1538	30	Franciscus Mackworth, Ar.
1539	31	Richardus Cecil, Ar.
1540	32	Johannes Harington, M.
1541	33	Kenelmus Digby, Ar.
1542	34	Edwardus Sapcots, Ar.
1543	35	Franciscus Mackworth, Ar.
1544	36	Georgius Sherard, Ar.
1545	37	Anthoni Brown.
1546	38	

EDWARD. 6.

1547	1	Anthoni Colly, Ar.
1548	2	Simon Digby, Ar.
1549	3	Kenelmus Digby, Ar.
1550	4	Andreas Noel, Ar.
1551	5	Anthoni Colly, Ar.
1552	6	Johannes Harington, M.
1553	7	

MAR.

1554	1	Kenelmus Digby, Ar.
1555	2	Simon Digby, Ar.
1556	3	Franciscus Mackworth, Ar.
1557	4	Andreas Noel, Ar.
1558	5	Anthoni Brown, Ar.

ELIZAB.

1559	1	Anthoni Colly, Ar.
1560	2	Jacobus Harington, M.
1561	3	Kenelmus Digby, Ar.
1562	4	Georgius Sherard, Ar.
1563	5	Willielmus Caldecot, Ar.
1564	6	Georgius Mackworth, Ar.
1565	7	Johannes Flowr, Ar.
1566	8	Jacobus Harington, M.
1567	9	Kenelmus Digby, Ar.

An. Dom. A.R.

1568	10	Antho. Colly, Ar.
1569	11	Johannes Floure, Ar.
1570	12	Maurice Berkley, Ar.
1571	13	Antho. Brown, Ar.
1572	14	George Mackworth, Ar.
1573	15	Thomas Cony, Ar.
1574	16	Robertus Sapcots, Ar.
1575	17	Willielmus Caldecot, Ar.
1576	18	Antho. Colly, Ar.
1577	19	Johannes Floure, Ar.
1578	20	Jacobus Harrington, Mil.
1579	21	Michael Catesby, Ar.
1580	22	George Mackworth, Ar.
1581	23	Willielmus Feilding, Ar.
1582	24	Rogerus Smith, Ar.
1583	25	Antho. Colly, Ar.
1584	26	Thomas Cony, Ar.
1585	27	Kenelmus Digby, Ar.
1586	28	Jacobus Harrington, Mil.
1587	29	Andreas Noel, Mil.
1588	30	George Sheffield, Ar.
1589	31	Robertus Sapcots, Ar.
1590	32	Henry Herenden, Ar.
1591	33	Willielmus Feilding, Ar.
1592	34	Rogerus Smith, Ar.
1593	35	Jacobus Harrington, Mil.
1594	36	Johannes Harrington, Mil.
1595	37	Andreas Noel, Mil.
1596	38	Willielmus Feilding, Ar.
1597	39	Henry Ferrers, Ar.
1598	40	Johannes Harrington, Mil.
1599	41	Thomas Mackworth, Ar.
1600	42	Andreas Noel, Mil.
1601	43	Jacobus Harrington, Mil.
1602	44	Johannes Harrington, Mil.

JACOBUS.

1603	1	Willielmus Bodendine, Ar.
1604	2	Willielmus Bulstred, Mil.
1605	3	Basil Feilding, Ar.
1606	4	Henry Berkley, Ar.
1607	5	Guido Palmes, Ar.
1608	6	Edwardus Noel, Mil.
1609	7	Thomas Mackworth, Ar.
1610	8	Willielmus Halford, Ar.
1611	9	Johannes Elmes, Ar.
1612	10	Robertus Lane, Mil.
1613	11	Antho. Andrews, Ar.
1614	12	Franciscus Bodinden, Ar.
1615	13	Edwardus Noel, Mil. & Bar.
1616	14	Richardus Cony, Mil.
1617	15	Guido Palmes, Mil.
1618	16	Abraham. Johnson, Ar.
1619	17	Richardus Halford, Ar.
1620	18	Antho. Colly, Ar.
1621	19	Edwar. Harrington, Mil. & B.

An. Dom. A.R.

1622	20	Robertus Lane, Mil.
1623	21	Robertus Tredway, Ar.
1624	22	Johannes Osborne, Ar.

CAROLUS I.

1625	1	Guido Palmes, Mil.
1626	2	Willielmus Gibson, Ar.
1627	3	Henr. Mackworth, Ar.
1628	4	Everardus Falkener, Ar.
1629	5	Johannes Huggeford, Ar.
1630	6	Johannes Wingfeild, Mil.
1631	7	Richardus Halford, Ar.
1632	8	Antho. Colly, Mil.
1633	9	Richardus Hickson, Ar.
1634	10	Franciscus Bodington, Mil.
1625	11	Henr. Mynne, Mil.
1936	12	Edwar. Harrington, Mil. & B.
1637	13	Edwardus Andrews, Ar.
1638	14	Johannes Barker, Ar.
1639	15	Thomas Lenit, Ar.
1640	16	Robertus Horsman, Ar.
1641	17	Thomas Wait, Ar.
1642	18	
1643	19	
1644	20	
1645	21	
1646	22	Abel Barker, Ar.
1647	23	Christoph. Brown, Ar.
1648	24	

CAROLUS. 2.

1649	1	
1650	2	
1651	3	
1652	4	Temporis hoc spatium detur
1653	5	
1654	6	Oblivioni
1655	7	
1656	8	
1657	9	
1658	10	
1659	11	
1660	12	Eusebius Pelsant, Mil.
1661	13	Thomas Hartop, Mil.
1662	14	Richardus Wingfeild, Mil.
		5 Hug. Ducey, Mil. Baln.
1663	15	2 Willielmus Palmes, Ar.
1664	16	Thomas Mackworth, Bar.
1665	17	Richardus Rouse, Ar.
1666	18	Carolus Halford, Ar.
1667	19	Beaumont Bodenham, Ar.
1668	20	Waltr Moot, Ar.
1669	21	Edwardus Horsman, Ar.
1670	22	Andreas Broughton, Ar.
1671	23	Thomas Pilkington, Ar.

1671

An. Dom.	A.R.	
1672	24	Thomas Barker, Ar.
1673	25	Johannes Newland, Ar.
1674	26	Willielmus Atkins, Ar.
1675	27	Richardus Fancourt, Ar.
1676	28	Johannes Wallet, Ar.
1677	29	Samuel Brown, Ar.
1678	30	Antonius Palmer, Ar.

An. Dom.	A.R.	
1679	31	Johannes Wingfield, Ar.
1680	32	Christopher. Brown, Ar.
1681	33	Thomas Barker, Bar.
1682	34	Richard Verney, Ar.
1683	35	Andreas Noel, Mil.
1684	36	Edwardus Coney, Ar.
1685		

Knights of the Shire in Parliament.

This little County having never had any City, Borough, or Corporation within its limits, sends only two Knights for the Shire, to the House of Commons in Parliament. A List of whom I have here Collected from the 23 Ed. 1. to this day: So far as any Records are extant.

Regn. E D W. 1.

A.R.	
23	Ro. de Flikesthorp, & Sim. de Bokminster.
26	Johan de Foleville, Williel. de Berks.
28	Williel. de Blunt, Joha. de Foleville.
29	Idem.
30	Joha. de Sexton, Rober. de Flythorp.
33	Theobaldus de Nevil.
34	Rob. de Flixthorp, Tho. de Buckland.
35	Williel. le Blunt, Bernardus de Brus.

Regn. E D W. 2.

2	Williel. de Basfeggs, Symon de Lyndon.
4	Radhlf. de Bellafago, Nicol. de Burton.
5	Richardus de Buntun.
5	Bernardus de Brus, Rober. de la Sale.
6	Willi. de Sancto Licio, Bricius le Danes.
6	Willi. de Helewell, Alanus de Frankton.
6	Johan. de Wymil, Walterus Poul.
8	Reginaldus de Warley,
8	Hasculphus de Whitewell.
9	Nich. de Burton, Rogerus Pucost.
9	Asculphus de Whitewell, Joh. Bassett.
10	Joha. Bassett, Asculphus de Whitewell.
15	Johan. de Hakelyne, Rober. Birom,
16	Rober. de Lufwyks, Rich. de Seyton.
17	Willi. Haward, Williel. de Alesbury.
19	Hasculphus de Whitewell,
19	Stephanus de Wytleford.

Regn. E D W. 3.

Westminst. I	1	Jol an. de Boivyle, Steph. de Wittelisdord.
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A.R.	
1	Johan. de Wittelisdur, Johan. de Bellafago. Linc.
2	Rich. de Sancto Licio, Willi. de Aylesbury. Sarum.
2	Rich. de Sancto Licio, Johan. de Bellafago. Ebor.
2	Johan. de Wittlebury, Rich. de Sancto Licio Northamp.
2	Johan. de Beaufon, Johan. de Wevyle. Ebor.
4	Johannes de Weynil, Walterus Poul. Westminst.
4	Rich. de Sancto Licio, Tho. de Grenham. Winton.
5	Clem. de Casterton, Johan. de Wevyl.
6	Johan. de Wyvil, Walterus Poul.
6	Rogerus de Denford, Richard. de Seyton.
7	Johan. le Hunt, Thomas de Wenge.
8	Johan. de Wittilbury, Johan. Hakelut. Westminst.
8	Johan. Hakelut, Johan. de Weyvil. Ebor.
9	Rich. de Sancto Licio,
9	Hasculph. de VVhitewell.
10	Rich. de Sancto Licio, Thomas de VVenton. Notting.
10	Idem. Westminst.
11	Johan. de Seyton, Johan. Bassett.
11	Tho. de Wympton, Sim. de Lyndon.
12	Johan. Haklut, Thomas de Grenham. Westminst.
12	Joha. Hakelut, Reginaldus de la More. Northam.
13	Joha. de Haklut, Rogerus de Bellosago.
13	Joha. Hakelut, VValterus Poul.
14	Tho. de Grenham, Rogerus de Denesford. Westminst.
14	Joha. de VVyville, VValterus Poule.
14	Robertus de Holewell.
15	Willi. VVade, Rogerus de Beaso.
17	Hasculphus de VVhitewel, VVil. VVade.
18	Idem.
20	VVil. VVade, Reginaldus de Tykesovere.
22	Idem.
22	Joha. Hakelut, VVilli. VVade.
25	VVill. VVade, Reginaldus de Tykesovere.
26	Galfrius de la Mare, Rolandus Daveys.
26	Rolandus Daveys.
27	VVillielmus de Burton.
28	VVill. de Burton, Rolandus Deneys.
29	VVil. Beausen, Rob. de Luffenham.
31	Idem.
35	Rolan. Daveys, Wil. Wade de Stokefaston.
36	Joha. de Boyvil, Rober. de Luffenham.
37	VVilliel. Beauson, VVilliel. VVade.

A.R.		
39	Rob. de Luffenham, Will. Beauso.	
42	Will. Beauso, Walterus de Scayle.	
43	Joh. Boyvile, Will. Beausou.	
Westminst.	45	Laurentius Hauberk, Nichol. Grene.
Wimron.	45	Laurentius Hauberk.
	45	Nichol. Grene, Johan. Wvillesbury.
	47	Ric. Nevill, Joha. Knotre de Gretham.
	50	Joh. Bafngs, Tho. de Burton, Chivalers.
	51	Nichol. Grene, Lurentius Hauberk.

Regn. RIC. 2.

	1	Thomas de Burton, Chivaler.
Glouc.	2	Walterus Scarle, Nichol. Mornwood.
Westminst.	2	Joh. Hellewel, Chiva. Lauren. Hauberk.
	3	Tho. de Burton, Chiv. Walterus Scarle.
	4	Joh. Wvitlebury, VWill. Nernwood.
	5	Tho. de Burton, Johan. Wvitlebury.
	5	Joh. Daveys, Will. Morewod.
	6	Joh. Daveys, Will. Flore.
	6	Joha. Helwell, Williel. Morewode.
Westminst.	7	Joh. de Calverly, Joh. Wvitlebury, Chiva.
Sarum	7	Rober. de Harryngton, Nichol. Grenham.
	8	VWilliel. Flore, VWilliel. Marwood.
	9	Hugo de Calmley, Johan. Knot.
	10	Johan. Wvitlebury, VValterus Scarle.
	11	Hugo Browe, Oliverus Maleverer, Chiva.
	12	Joh. Daneys, Chivaler VValterus Scarle.
	13	Hugo de Calvele, Oliverus de Maleverer.
	14	Hugo Browe, Johan. de Calveley.
	15	Hugo Grenham, Johan. Busbe.
	16	VValterus Scarle, Johan. Elme.
	17	Johan. Daveys, Chivaler; Johan. Elme.
	18	Joh. Wvitlebury Senior, Walterus Scarle.
	20	Rob. Plessington, Rogerus de Flore.
	21	Oliver. Maleverer, Chiva. Tho. de Outeby.

Regn. HEN. 4.

1	Rogerus Flore, Johan. Durant.
2	Johan. Durante, Williel. Outeby.
4	Tho. Ondeby, Rogerus Flore.
5	Tho. Thorp, Joh. Pensax.
6	Tho. Ondeby, Johan. Flore.
8	Johan. Pensax, Rober. Scarle.
9	Rober. Brewe, VWilliel. sheffield.

The Records are wanting during the Residue of this Kings Reign, and in like manner are they imperfect as to several years in the Reigns of H. 5. H. 6. and E. 4.

Regn. HEN. 5.

1	Johan. Pensax, Johan. de Burgh.
2	Rogerus Flore, Rober. Brewe.

This Roger Flore, Esq; was Speaker

of the House of Commons, in the 4, 5, and 7th. years of this King.

A.R.		
8	Rober. Brewe, Williel. Sheffield.	
9	Johan. Culpepir, Ar. Tho. Grenham, Ar.	

Regn. HEN. 6.

1	Hen. Plessington, Mil, Roger. Flore, Ar.
3	Tho. Burton, Henr. Plessington.
5	Tho. Burton, Mil. Johan. Colepepir, Ar.
7	Rober. Browe, Johan. Boyvile.
13	Johan. Browe, Williel. Beauso.
20	Joha. Braunspath, Ar. Will. Heyton, Ar.
25	Hugo Boyvile, Everard Digby.
27	Everardus Digby, Joh. Browarnig.
28	Everardus Digby de Stokedri,
	Robertus Frene de Exton.
29	Tho. Palmer, Everardus Digby, Armi.
38	Johan. Browe, Johan. Boyvile.
38	Everardus Digby, Ar. Radu. Beauso, Ar.

Regn. EDW. 4.

6	Johan. Browe, Ar. Joha. Ar.
12	Brian Talbot, Ar. Joha. Pilton.

The Writs, Returns, and Indentures from the 12th. of E. 4. to the first of Queen Mary, are all thought to be lost. Prin. Bre. Parl. rediviva p. 203.

The following Names I have Collected from the Records remaining in the Chappel of the Roles. But the Returns for several Parliaments are wanting. Such as are to be found, are,

Regn. EDW. 6.

1	Kenel. Digby, Ar. Anthon. Colly, Ar.
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Regn. MAR.

1	Andre. Nowell, Ar. Kenelm. Digby, Ar.	Westminst.
1	Anthon. Colly, Ar, Johan. Hunt, Ar.	Oxon.

Regn. PH. & MA.

1,2	Jaco. Harrington, Ar. Anthon. Colly, Ar.
2,3	Jaco. Harrington, Mil. Kenel. Digby, Mil.
4,5	Jaco. Harrington, Mil. Kenel. Digby, Mil.

Regn. ELIZ.

14	Jaco. Harrington, Mil. Kenel. Digby, Ar.
28	Jaco. Harrington, Mil. Andre. Nowell, Mil.
30	Jaco. Harrington, Mil. Andre. Nowell, Mil.
43	Joh. Harrington, Mil. Andre. Neell, Mil.

Regn.

The Returns, for the whole Reign of King James, are wanting.

Regn. C A R. 1.

A.R.

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| 1 | Will. Bulstrode, Mil. | Fran. Bodenham, Mil. |
| 3 | Guido Palmes, Mil. | Will. Bulstrode, Mil. |
| 15 | Baptista Noell, Ar. | Guido Palmes, Mil. |
| 16 | Baptista Noell, Ar. | Guido Palmes, Mil. |

Regn. C A R. 2.

A.R.

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|----|--------------------|---|
| 12 | Phil. Sherard, Ar. | Sam. Brown, Ar. |
| 13 | Edward. Noel, Ar. | Phil. Sherard, Ar. |
| 30 | Phil. Sherard, Ar. | Tho. Mackworth, Bar. |
| 31 | Phil. Sherard, Ar. | Abellis Barker, Bar. |
| 32 | | Tho. Mackworth, Bar. in loco
Abelli Barker, defunct. |
| 33 | Phil. Sherard, Ar. | Edwar. Fawkeney, Ar. Oxon. |

Lords Lieutenants of this County.

Bar. Eng. 2 Vol.
297

IN the first year of Queen Elizabeth, Henry Earl of Rutland, was constituted Lord Lieutenant for the Counties of Nottingham and Rutland.

Bar. Eng. 1 Vol.
589.

In the Twelfth of the said Queen, Henry Earl of Huntingdon was constituted Lieutenant of the Counties of Leicester and Rutland. And again in the 17th. of the said Queen.

Id. ib.

In the Thirty eighth year of the said Queen, George Earl of Huntingdon, second Brother and Heir to the former Earl, was constituted Lieutenant of the said Counties. And again in the first year of King James.

Id. ib.

In the Twelfth year of King James Henry Earl of Huntingdon, Grandson, and Heir to the aforesaid Earl George, was constituted Lieutenant of the said

Counties. So also in the first of King Charles I.

In the 14. Car. 1. Ferdinando Lord Hastings, Eldest Son to the last mentioned Earl Henry was joyned with his Father in the Lieutenancy of the said Counties.

In the twelfth year of our now Sovereign, King Charles 2. Baptist Lord Vicount Campden, was constituted Lord Lieutenant of the County of Rutland; being the first Lord Lieutenant of this County apart by it self.

In the Thirty fourth year of our now Sovereign, upon the death of the said Lord, his Son and Heir, the Right Honourable Edward then Vicount Campden; and soon after created Earl of Gainsborough, was constituted Lord Lieutenant of this County of Rutland, and Custos Rotulorum of the same.

Thus far of the COUNTY in General: I come now to treat of the several Towns, Villages, and Places of Note, particularly; And First of

ASHWELL.

ASHWELL.

Domesday tit.
Rorel.

THIS Town lies in the hundred of **Ailhoe**. At the time of the Norman Conquest it was called **Erwelle**, at which time Earl **Haroldus** held here two Carucates of Land, as it was rated (*ad geldam*) to the Tax. The Arable Land was six Carucates, afterwards at the time of *Domesday* Survey one **Gozelinus** (whom the Record call *Hama Hugonis Comitis*) held here two Carucates, and thirteen Villains, and three *Bordarii* (or Cottagers) all which had amongst them five Carucates and sixteen Acres of Meadow. In the time of King **Edward** the Confessor, this Town was valued at 100 shillings, but at the time of the aforesaid Survey, at 6 l.

Rot. fin. 8 E. 2.
m. 1.

The Mannour of **Ashwell** was in the time of **Ed. 2.** Posselt by the **Touchets**, from whom discends the now Earl of **Castle-haven**. The first of which family, that I read of, to die seized of this Lordship, was **Thomas Touchet**; after whose death, Sir **Robert Touchet** Knight, his Son and Heir, doing his Homage, had Livery of his Lands, in the eighth year of King **E. 2.** and left issue **Thomas**, which **Thomas** Married **Joan** one of the Daughters and Coheirs of **Nicholas** Lord **Audley** of **peleigh**, and by her

had issue Sir **John Touchet**, Knighted in the 33 of **E. 2.** And in the same year, the same Sir **John** acknowledged himself to hold of **Edward** Prince of **Wales**, the Mannor of **Ashwell**, with the Appurtenances in the County of **Rutland** being parcel of the Lands of **Robert de Brus** Attaint of Treason, by the service of the third part of a Knights fee. The same Sir **John** being in the 15 **R. 2.** found to be one of the Heirs of the foresaid **Nicholas** Lord **Audley**, did thereupon assume the Title of Lord **Audley**, and his Descendents have been ever since summon'd to the Parliament by that Title: This Lord **John** departed this life on the 19th. of December 10 **H. 4.** being then seized among several other Lordships elsewhere, of two parts of the Mannor of **Ashwell** in **Com. Roteland.** and left **James** his Son and Heir then ten years of age.

In the 7th. of **H. 8.** It was found by Office that **Brian Palmes** held the Mannour of **Ashwell** with its Appurtenances, in the County of **Rutland** of our Lord the King, but by what services the Inquisitors knew not; and that **Francis Palmes** was his Son and Heir, From whom is descended **William Palmes**, Esq, the present Lord of this Mannour.

Willielm. Palmes de Nabourn Com. Ebor. Soror Briani Roucliff Baronis Scaccarii, 1 H. 7.

Bryan Palmes,
fil. & Heres.

Guido Palmes, Serviens
ad Legem, 20 H. 7. fil. 2.

Jana fil. & cob. de
Drew de Britton.



Brianus Palmes
de Ashwell.

Isabella f. & b.
ley de Lindely Com. Ebor.

Jana Uxor Nicholai Fares
fax de Walton, Mil.

Franciscus Palmes
de Ashwell.

Margareta soror An-
drea Corbet, Mil.

Franciscus Palmes — Anna f. Stephani Hadnal de
de Ashwell. Shervil in Com. Hampton.

Guido Palmes de Ash-
well, M. nat. 1580.

Miria f. & cob. Edw. Stafford, M.
Soror & b. Willielmi Stafford.

Brianus — Miria f. & cob. Gervasii Tevery
Palmes, M. de Stapilford in Com. Not.

Tevery Palmes,
ob. f. p. fil. 2.

Franciscus Palmes,
Ar. ob. f. p.

Maria f. Mildmay Com. Westmerl.
postea nupta Johanni Com. Exeter.

Willielmus —
Palmes, Ar.

Maria consanguinea &
cob. Williel. Dom. Eure.

Guido.

Willielmus.

Margareta.

Elisabetha.

Maria.

Anna.

In

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 27 H. 3. (which was in the time of Robert Grosset Bishop of Lincoln) the Lady Elizabeth de Tucket, presented to the Church of *Ashwell*.

The Rectory of *Ashwell* is valued in the Kings Book at 20 l. 16 s. 1 d.

The present Patron is *William Palmes*, Esq; Lord of the Mannour.

In the Church.

About the Verge of an Ancient Tomb in the Chancel.

† **H**ic jacent Johannes Vernam & Rosa uxor ejus parentes Magistri Johannis Vernam Canonici Ecclesiarum Cath. Sar. & Here. qui quid Johannes obiit xx. die Januarii Anno Dom. M. CCCC. octogesimo. Et Rosa memorata obiit decimo septimo die mensis Decembris Anno Domini M. CCCC. septuagesimo nono, quorum animabus propicietur Deus, Amen.

Elizabeth Wilcocks born in this Town, but living in Derbyshire in the condition of a Servant, in the year 1648. gave the Rent of a Tenement situate in the Parish of St. Peter at Derby, of the value of seven pounds per Annum, to the Poor for ever; One Moiety whereof to the Poor of this Town, the other Moiety to be equally divided between the Poor of St. Peters Parish in Derby, and the Poor of Elverston in that County, yearly. As appears by a Memorial graved on a Plate of Brass, and set up in this Church.

ASTON.

LYes in the Hundred of *Mar-tindly*. Of this Town there is no mention in *Domesday Book*, it being no doubt, one of those seven Berres or Hamlets, surveyed at that time under the Title of *Bidlingtone Cherche-soch*.

M.S. Wingfeild
Bodenham, Milt.
f. 101. b.

In the 14 E. 1. Sir William Murdoc, Kt. gave *Astoneston*, otherwise called *Aston* near *Uppingham* in the County of *Rutland* to his Son Hugh. Which Hugh not long after dying without issue his Estate came to Alice his Sister, the Wife of Thomas de Boyville, in whose Posterity it continued until the 8th. year of King Edw. 4. in the which year John Boyville then Lord of *Aston* and *Wardly* in this County, and of *Stocker-ton* and *Cranoe* in *Leicestershire*, died, leaving three Daughters his Coheirs; how, making Partition among them-

selves in the same year, this Town and *Wardly* were assigned to the purparty of Thomas Restwold, who had married Margaret one of the three Sisters; and *Cranoe* and *Stocker-ton*, to Cockaine and Sothill, who had married the other two.

The present Lord of *Ayton* is the Right honourable the Earl of *Cardigan*.

Of the ADVOWSON.

In the 13 H. 3. Sir Henry Murdoc, Kt. presented to the Church of *Astoneston*, *sen* *Aston*.

The Rectory of *Ayton* is valued in the Kings Books, at 8 l. 7 s. 7 d.

The present Patron is

BARLY.

B A R L Y T H O R P.

Barlythorp is a small Village in the Parish of **Okeham**, which with some part of that Town, belongs to the Dean and Chapter of **Westminster**, by the name of the Mannour of **Okeham cum Barlythorp**. Which Mannour may be the more observable on this account, that it, only, in all this County remains at this day to the Church of **St. Peters at Westminster**, which Church was formerly (as is before observed) intituled to all **Rutland**. And while the Neighbouring Lands have run through many Possessors, this Lordship alone hath been constant to its old Lords ever since the Reign of **Edward the Confessor**, to our age (except a small time that it was in the Crown upon the desolution, 31 H. 8.) Tho in truth those Lords have not alwayes retain'd the same name. For before *Anno* 1539. they were the Abbot and Convent of **Westminster**, at which time King **Hen. 8.** dissolved the Abby, and erected a Dean and Chapter, making **William Benson**, then Abbot, the first Dean: Two years after he made it a Bishoprick, and placed **Thomas Thilby** the first (and last) Bishop there; who being removed to **Norwich**, 1550. the Bishoprick was suppress'd by King **Edward 6th.** and that Church became once more un-

der the absolute Government of a Dean and Chapter: Afterwards in the year, 1557. Queen **Mary** restored it again to an Abby and Convent. But Queen **Elizabeth** soon after coming to the Crown, suppress'd the Abby a second time, and a third time restored the Jurisdiction of a Dean and Chapter.

Upon the desolution of the Monastery of **St. Peters at Westminster**, which was surrendred in *December* 31 H. 8. The Annual profits of this Mannour were as follows, viz.

Rent of Assize. — 27. 2. 9. ob.
Perquisites of Court, that year, 1. 3. 11.

Viz. Common fine 3 s. 8 d. other fines of Lands 9 s. Amercements 11 s. 3 d.

As appears by the Accompt of **Thomas Busbye**, Collector of the said Revenues at that time.

Upon the suppression of the Abby, *Pat. 2. Eliz.* after the Death of Queen **Mary**, as a-p. 11. beforesaid, Queen **Elizabeth** by her Letters Patents, dated 21 of May in the 2 year of her Reign, granted among other things, this Mannour, together with the Tithes of **Okeham, Langham, Cogleton, Brooke, Gunthorpe**, and **Barlythorpe**, to the Dean and Chapter of **St. Peters at Westminster**, and to their Successors for ever.

B A R R O W or B E R K.

Barrow is a small Village in the Hundred of **Alstoe**, part of the Parish and Mannour of **Cottesmoze**.

In the 5th. year of E. 2. **Rob. de Colzile**, at that time within age and the Kings Ward, was Lord of **Berk** and **Wenton**.

In the 7th. year of Queen **Elizabeth**, **John Wyllan** past a Fine of the Grange and Tenements of **Barrow** in the Parish of **Cottesmoze**, then in the Tenure of **John Nicolas**, to Sir **James**

Harrington, to hold of the King in Capite.

It was found by Office taken at **Okeham** 22 March Anno 13 Jac. after the Death of **John Lord Harrington** the Elder, that the said Lord dyed seized (*inter alia*) of the abovementioned **Barrow** Grange, and of the Lordship of **Barrow**, which he held of **Thomas Earl of Creter** in Socage, as of his Mannour of **Bourne**, by suit of Court and the yearly Rent of 3 s. 4 d. for all services.

BAR ROWDEN.

Nom. Vil.
in Scacc.

Rot. fin.
7 El.

BARROWDEN.

*Domesd. in
Northampton
1.*

Barrowden, lies in the Hundred of **Wangdyke**, and is the cheif Town of that Hundred. At the time of the Survey Recorded in *Domesday Book*, the King held this Mannour, then called **Berchedone**, and therein four Hides bating one yard Land; the Arable Land was ten Carucates, there were at that time nine Villains, and ten Sockmen (or Tenants in Soccage) with three *Bordarii* (or Cottagers) all which posselt six Carucates of Land and a half, there were also six Acres of Meadow, and six Acres of Thorns; And to this Mannour did Appertain at that time, certain Lands in **Seaton**, **Thorpe**, **Worcote**, **Wilsbrook**, **Claiton**, and **Luffenham**.

*Bar. Eng.
1 Vol. 398.*

Henry Duke of **Normandy** (soon after King of **England**, by the name of **Henry 2.**) gave to **William**, Son of **William Maduit**, who had been Chamberlain to **H. 1.** his Grandfather, among other Lands, **Berchedone** in *Com. Rutland*, with the whole Soak or Hundred thereunto belonging; and after he came to be King, confirmed the said gift. After this in the 26 **H. 2.** the said **William** was made Sheriff of **Rutland**, in which Office he continued till the 33 of that King. After him succeeded **Robert** whose Son and heir **William Maduit** was one of the Rebellious Barons against King **John**, and in the 41 **H. 3.** died seized of the Mannour of **Berwedon** and Hundred of **Wangedyke**, with certain Lands of 30 *l. per an.* value lying in **Cottesmore** and **Gretham**, all in *Com. Rutland*; whose Son and heir **William Maduit**, became Earl of **Warwick** in 47 **H. 3.** and dyed without issue 52 **H. 3.**

*Bar. Eng.
1. Vol. 626.*

In the time of **E. 2. Edmund Colville**, who Married **Margaret** the Daughter of **Robert de Ufford**, was seized of the Mannour of **Berghdon**, and died so seized in the 9th. year of that Kings Reign. In which said 9 **E. 2.** **Thomas**, Son and heir of the Earl of **Warwick**, at that time the Kings Ward, was certified to be Lord of this Mannour.

Nom. Villar.

Ter. Mic. 14 E. 3. **Thomas de Bellocampo** Earl of **Warwick**, Son and heir of **Guy**, Son and heir of **William de Bellocampo** late Earl of **Warwick**, Son and heir of **Isabel**, Sister and heir of the above mentioned **William Maduit** Earl of **Warwick**, paid to the King a Releif of 100 Marks, for the Mannour of **Berghdon** in *Com. Rotel.* with the Hamlets of South **Loffingham**, **Worcote** and **Wanton** in the said County, held of the King in Capite by the service of being the Kings Chamberlain of his Exchequer, and *per Baroniam*. The said Earl paid also a Releif of 100 *g.* for certain Lands in **Gretham** and **Cottesmore** in the said County, held of the King by the service of one Knights Fee.

*Abf. Rel. pen.
W. D'ewes
Bar.*

This Estate being afterwards forfeited by **Thomas Beauchamp** the second of that name, Earl of **Warwick**, was by King **R. 2.** granted to **Thomas Mowbray**, Earl of **Nottingham** and Duke of **Norfolk**. This **Thomas** the second, was Son and Successor in the honour to the above mentioned **Thomas de Bellocampo**, who falling into the displeasure of King **R. 2.** was by him banished and confined to the Isle of **Man**, and all his Estate seized and granted away, some to **Thomas Holland** Earl of **Kent**, and some to the above said **Mowbray** Duke of **Norfolk**; but upon **H. 4th.** coming to the Crown the said Earl of **Warwick** was restored to his Liberty and Estate.

*Bar. Eng.
1. Vol. 307.*

Id. 235.

Afterwards in the Reign of King **H. 7.** This Estate coming into the Crown again, in such manner as I have set forth under the Title of **Uppingham**, *infra*; King **Edward 6.** in the begining of his Reign, granted this Lordship (then valued at 31 *l.* 8 *s.* 5 *d. ob.*) together with several other Towns then called **Warwick** Lands, to his Sister the Lady **Elizabeth** (afterwards Queen) to hold from *Mic. 38 H. 8.* *Durante bene placito*, which demise, it seems, continued not long; for within five years after, the said King **Edward 6th.** in the 5th. year of

*Comp. pro Com.
Rutl. in offic.
Augm. 3 E. 6.*

of RUTLANDSHIRE.

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Pat. 5. E. 6.
p. 7.

of his Reign granted all that the Mannor and Hundred of **Barowden** alias **Wangdske** in the County of **Rutland**. to **William Cecyl** (afterwards Lord **Barly**) and his heirs ; to hold of the King in Capite by Knights service. From which **William** Lord **Barly** is lineally descended the Right honourable **John**, now Earl of **Exeter**, the present Lord of this Mannour.

Car. 23. E. 3.
n. 9.

King **Edward 3.** by his Charter dated at **Westminster** 12 March in the 23 year of his Reign, granted to **Thomas de Bellocampo** Earl of **Warwick**, and his heirs, one Mercate weekly on the Saturday at his Mannour of **Bergden** in **Com. Rotel.** and one Fair there yearly for four dayes, viz. on the Vigil, and Feast day of **St. John Baptist** and two days after. *Nisi Mercatum illud & feria illa sint ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum & vicinarum feriarum.*

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 30th. year of **H. 3.** (which was in the time of **Robert Grosted** Bishop of **Lincoln**) **Sir William Madwit** Knight presented to the Church of **Berebden**.

In the 40th. year of **E. 1.** (which Reg. Linc. was in the time of **John Daldery** Bishop of **Lincoln**) **Guy de Beauchamp** Earl of **Warwick** presented to the said Church.

Here was formerly within our Lady Chappel in this Church, one Chantry founded and endowed with Lands, partly by King **Edward 2.** in the 7 year of his Reign, and partly by **Richard Smyth** and **Thomas Nichols**. The particulars of which foundation were in the 2 E. 6, Surveyed and certified by **Richard Cecyl** Esq; and **Thomas Hays**, Commissioners for that purpose, as followeth, viz.

Founded for the maintenance of one Priest to sing Mass there for ever: Hath of Lands and Tenements lying in **Barowden**, to the value of 56 s. 8 d. per An. whereof in Rents resolute 7 s. remains clear for the Portion of the Chantry Priest there, named **Sir Raffe Himan** of the age of 43 years, being of good report, who also serveth the Cure there, 49 s. 8 d. inde pro Decima Regi 8 s. per An.

The Rectory of **Barroughden** is valued in the Kings Books at 14 l. 13 s. 1 d.

The Present Patron is

BELMESTHORP.

Domesd.
Northamp.
m. 56.

Belmesthorp lies in the East hundred : and did at the time of the **Norman** Conquest appertain to the Mannour of **Ryphall** as a Member of the same, and was at that time held of the King by Countess **Judith**, who had here one hide and a half ; in Demesne two Carucates, with fourteen Villains, and fix **Bordarii** possessing four Carucates,

here was at that time one Mill of 10 s. and 8 d. and sixteen Acres of Meadow, the whole then valued at 6 l.

In the Reign of **Ed. 2.** it had also the same Lord with **Ryphall**, **Hugo le Dis-** Nom. Vill. in Scacc. **pencer.**

The present Lord of this Town is the Right Honourable **John** Earl of **Exeter**.

BELTON.

Lies in the Handred of **Okeham** Soak, and within the Limits of the old Forrest of **Lyteild**. Of this Town I find no mention in *Domes-*

day, it being no doubt included amongst the seven Berews or Hamlets belonging to **Bedlincetune Cherchesoch**.

In the Reign of **E. 2.** **William le Blount**

Nom. Vill.
in Stat.

Bar. Eng.
1 Voll. 519.

Efc. 28 H. 8.

Blount was Lord of this Mannor. In whole Posterity it continued, as it seems, a long time: for

In the first year of Henry 5. Sir Walter le Blount, Son and heir of Sir Thomas le Blount Treasurer of Normandy, settled the Mannor of Belton (Com. Rutl.) with other Lands elsewhere on Thomas Langley Bishop of Durham, and John Baysham Clerk, to the use of Senchia his Wife (a Spanish Lady) during her life; and to the heirs Males of his Body: The remainder to Thomas his second Son, and the issue Male of his Body: And so to James his third Son, and Peter his fourth Son, with remainder to his right heirs.

In the 28th. of H. 8. the then Lord Montjoy held this Mannor with the Appurtenances of the King in Capite by Knight service, and dying so seized, left Charles Blount Lord Montjoy his Son and heir.

Afterwards this Mannor came to the Family of Haslwood; and in that name continued, till in the Reign of

King James, Thomas Haslwood Esq; by his Deed of bargain and sell, conveyed the same to George Butler and Thomas Phillips, which Deed is inrolled in the Common Pleas, Mic. 11. Jac. rot. 19.

King E. 3. in the sixth year of his Reign, granted to William le Blount, then Lord of this Mannor, that he and his heirs for ever should have and enjoy at their Mannor of Belton in Com. Rotel. yearly, one Fair for three days, viz. The Eve, day, and Morrow of St. James the Apostle: *Nisi feria illa sit ad nocummentum vicinarum feriarum.* And this was twice granted, first by Charter dated at Nottingham, 24 Apr. 6 E. 3. and after by another Charter dated at Woodstock 20 July in the same year.

Belton is at present the Seat of Richard Verney Esq; a true Lover of Antiquities, and a worthy Mæcenæ; whose descent from that eminent Family of this name, long time seated at Compton-Murdack in Com. Warwick, appears in the following Pedigree.

Johan. Verney.

Richard. Verney, — Alianora f. & b.
mil. ob. 5 H. 7. — Joh. Loutham.



Edmundus Verney, — Elizabetha f. Williel.
ar. ob. 10 H. 7. — Feilding, mil.

Richard. Verney, — Anna f. Williel. Davers unius
ar. ob. 18 H. 8. — Justic. de Banco. temp. H. 7.

Thomas Verney, — Alicia Sor. & coh.
mil. 28 H. 8. — Edmun. Tame mil.

Richard. Verney, — Francisca f. Georg.
mil. 3. 4. P.M. — Raleigh, ar.

Georg. Verney, — Jana f. Williel.
ob. 16 El. — Lucy, ar.

Richard. Verney, — Margareta Sor. & b. Fulconis
mil. ob. 1630. — Grevil Dom. Brook.

Grevillius Verney, — Catherina f. Roberti
ar. ob. 1642. — Southwell, mil.

Grevillius Verney de Compton-Murdack in Com. Warwick, ar. fil. & hæres.

Maria f. Joh. Prettyman —
de Lodington Com. Leic. —
Baronet. Ux. 1.

Richard. Verney de —
Belton in Com. —
Rotel. ar. fil. 2.

Francisca fil. Thomas Dove —
de Upton in Com. North-
ampton, ar. Ux. 2.

Johan. Verney de —
Mid. Temp. Lond. —
Jurisconsultus.

Georg. Verney, No. —
Coll. Ox. Socius & —
Affin. Fundi.

Thomas Verney, —
venport de Colvely —
Com. Cest. ar.

Richardus.

Diana.

com. pro com.
Rutl. in Offic.
Augm. 3. E. 6.

I find in the account of John Deddington the Kings Receiver in this County 3. E. 6. mention of a certain small Estate in **Belton** belonging to the late dissolved Monastery of **Dulveston** in **Com. Leicesters.** Viz. One Cottage and certain Lands there with the appurtenances, then demised to **William Clerke** to hold at the Will of the Lord from year to year, paying the yearly Rent of 4 s. at the Feasts of the Annunciation of our Lady and **St. Michael** equally.

Comp. ut sup.

Here was also belonging to the late dissolved Monastery of **Laund** in **Com. Leicest.** One Tenement with certain Lands of the yearly Rent of 20 s. demised by the said Monastery to **Thomas Drake**:

Also the Tithes with one piece of Land or Meadow call'd **Ennisklengs** demised by the said Covent to **Thomas Woodhouse, alias Webster** at the yearly rent of 6 l. 10 s. And which was granted by King **Edward 6.** 25. May in the 2d. year of his Reign to **Gregory Lord Cromwell**, and **Elizabeth** his Wife, for their two Lives.

Here was also belonging to the said Monastery of **Laund**, one other Tenement with Lands thereunto belonging of the yearly Rent of 10 s. Demised by the said Monastery to **Thomas Woodhouse alias Webster** for the term of sixty one years by Deed dated 22 May 30. H. 8.

Comp. ut sup.

In the Church of Belton.

About the Verge of a fair Tomb adjoyning to the North East Angle of the Chancel.



✠ **H**ere lyeth the Body of **Thomas Haselwood Esquire** and **Clemence** his Wyffe which **Thomas** departed xx day of **December** in the year of our Lord God M. D. LIX. and the said **Clemence** departed the day of in the year of our Lord God M. D. upon whose Souls God have mercy, Amen

BRAUNSTON.

Lies in the Hundred of **Okeham-Soak**: And borders on the skirts of **Leicestershire**, having been formerly part of the forest of **Lyfeild**. Of **Braunston** there is no mention in **Domesday-Book**, it being at that time, no doubt, included in the Survey of **Hameeldune Cherkeshoch** to which Town of **Hambleton, Braunston** continues a Chappel of ease to this day.

Clauſ. 6. Joh.
m. 16.

King **John** in the 6. year of his reign directed his precept to the Sheriff of **Rutland**, commanding him to deliver to **Hamon Falconer** 8 l. of Land in the Mannour of **Braunston** formerly belonging to **Nicholas de Menil** in the 17th. year of the same King the like precept was directed to the Sheriff of **Rut-**

land to deliver to **William Ferrars** the Land which the King had formerly given to **Hamon Falconer**. **Robert le Fauconer** (who descended I suppose from this **Hamon**,) was one of those eminent Persons in this County, who in 29. E. 1. received the Kings writ of Summons to attend him well fitted with horse and Armes on the Feast of the Nativity of **St. John Baptist** next ensuing, at **Bezwick** upon **Tweed**, in order to a War against the Scots.

In the 9. E. 2. The Prior of **Benelworth**, and **Theobald de Nezvile** were Lords of **Braunston**.

Nom. Vill. in
Scacc.

Afterwards the **Chiseldines** became Lords of **Braunston** (somuch as did formerly belong to **Theobald de Nezvile**), which

17. Joh. m.
17.

which came into that Family by match with *Anne* Daughter and heir of *William de Burgho*; which *Anne* dyed seized in her demean as of fee of the Mannour of *Braunston*, and other Lands and Hereditaments in this County 7. *Martij*, 23. H. 6. Leaving *John Chisildine*, Son of *John Chisildine*, Son of the said *Anne*, her next heir; as ap-

pears by Inquisition taken at *Okeham* 23. *April*, next following; by which Inquisition it also appears that she held the said Mannour by knights service of *Humphrey Duke of Buckingham*, as of his Castle of *Okeham*, and that the said Mannour was then valued at 12. marks per *An.* over and above all Reprizes.

Efc. 23 H. 6.
n. 14.



Robertus Chelfiden, de Alexton in Com. Leic. mil. temp H. 6.	— Anna f. & b. Willielm de Burgho.
Johannes Chelfiden, de Alexton.	
Johannes Chelfiden de Alex. 26 H. 6.	— Elifabetha f. & b. de Scarle.
Johannes Chelfiden, de Alexton 10 E. 4.	— f. de Nowers de in Com. Bucks.
Johannes Chelfiden, de Uppingham Com. Rotel.	— f. Willielmus Morbury de in Com. Northamp.
Johannes Chelfiden, de Uppingham.	— Elifabetha f. de Nevil de Gothurst.
Edwardus Chelfiden, de Uppingham.	— Brigetta f. & b. Willielmi Mongomery de Eckton.
Georgius Chelfiden, de Uppingham.	— Anna f. & b. Thomæ Skeffington de Groby.
Kenelmus Chelfiden, de Uppingham.	— Winefrida f. Francisci Say de Wilby Com. Northam.
Edwardus Chelfiden, de Uppingham & Braunston.	— Brigetta f. Anthonii Fawkner de Up- pingham.

Kenelmus Chelfiden, clericus. 1624.

Anthony.

Everard.

Edward.

Lyon.

Efc. 1. Mar. In the first of Queen *Mary*, *John Burton*, was found to die seized of one Messuage in the tenure of *John Holly*, two Cottages, two Gardens, two Tofts and 9 s. rent in *Braunston*, which he

held of the Queen in Capite by Knights service, and that *William Burton* was his Son and heir: which *William* had issue as appears in the following Scheme.

William

William Burton, of Braun-
ston in Com. Rut. — Alice d. of Richard
Peck.

John Burton of
Stockerfon Com.
Leicest.

Bartin Burton, of
Okeham Com.
Rutland.

Simon Burton,
of Braunston.

Mary d. of John
Welsh.

Augustin
Burton.

Susan Ux. Geoffrey
Wilcocks de Knof-
sington.

William Burton,
of Braunston. — Jane d. of Richard Hal-
ford of Ediwelfton.

Bartin Burton, of
Braunston.

Augustin Burton, of
London.

Alice.

Ex autographis. Queen Elizabeth in the 26th year of her reign did, by her Letters Patents bearing date 12. of June, in the said year, give and grant unto Edward Wymarke of London Gent. a parcel of Land in this field, partly Wood ground and partly Pasture, containing by estimation fourteen acres more or lesse, commonly call'd the *walpe*, with all the appurtenances, profits and commodities thereunto belonging, with all and singular the Woods, underwoods, and Trees growing or being in or upon the same; The like grant was afterwards made of the Premises by King James on the 13th. day of June in the 9th. year of his reign, to Thomas Eely, and George Merreils; afterwards the said Estate was by several Deeds and Conveyances from the abovesaid Wymarke, Eely, and Merreils, settled on Martin Burton of Okeham (Com.

Rutl. His Heirs and Assignes for ever, in Trust that the rents, issues, revenues and profits of the same should from time to time for ever be employ'd to and for the common good of the Freeholders of Braunston having common in the said Town, and for and towards the maintenance of a Preacher to preach in the Chappel of Braunston, or in default thereof, for and towards the repair of the said Chappel and the Bells therein, and for the repair and amendment of decayed bridges and highways, and releif of such poor as to the Trustees should seem most convenient. Which said Martin Burton dying, Andrew Burton of Okeham Esq; his Son and heir, did by indenture bearing date the 19th. of Ap. 1636. convey the said Estate over to several Trustees, some of which are now living, under the Trusts above specified.

In the Church.

In Brass, on a handsome Tomb.

Here lyeth Kenelme Chefeldyn of Uppingham Esquire, who lineally descended from Anne Broogh Daughter and Heir to the Lord Broogh, who married Winefrid Daughier of Francis Say of Wilby in the County of Northampton Gent. and had by her a XI. Sons and three Daughters, who deceased the 2. of August 1596: leaving Edward his Son and Heir Succeeding.

As I was soe are ye,
As I am soe shall ye be.

On a Grave Stone.

HIC jacet Corpus Edwardi Chefeldyn de Braunston in Com. Rutel. Armigeri, qui obiit 13. die Junij Anno Domini. 1642.

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BROOK

B R O O K.

THis Town lyes in the Hundred of **Okeham** Soak : And within the limits of the old Forest of **Lyfelyd**. It had formerly the same Lord with **Okeham**, viz. *Walkeline de Ferrers*: (of whom see more in **Okeham**) Of **Brook** there is no mention in *Domesday* book, it being at that time survey'd as one of the five Berews or Hamlets belonging to **Okeham Cherchesoch**.

Nom. Vill. in Scacc.

In the 9. E. 2. The Prior of **Kenilworth** was Lord of **Brook**, and part of **Braunston**.

Neer this Town was situated a small Priory, yet the onely Monastery of either Sex in this County. They were call'd Canons regular of *S. Augustine*; in regard their order is said to be first instituted by that famous Doctor of **Christs Church**, *S. Augustine*; who being born in **Africa**, and betaking himself to the study of Philosophy grew so excellent a Scholar, and so famous a Rhetorician, that being sent for to **Millain** in **Italy**, there to teach Rhetorique, by the preaching of *S. Ambrose* then Bp. of **Millain**, he was reclaimed from the Heresie of the *Manichees* wherewith he had been tainted : And afterwards coming to **Hippo**, he was by *Valerius* then Bishop of that place ordained a Priest, in which City he shortly instituted a Covent of Clerks, and lived according to the rule constituted by the holy Apostles, instructing them in the Evangelical perfection, viz. love of Poverty, Obedience, and Chastity. Upon the Death of *Valerius* he was chosen Bp. of **Hippo**, but notwithstanding being desirous to continue his religious course of Life, he founded a Monastery of Clerks within the Precincts of his Church.

Discip. of Warwickh. p. 155.

Id. ib.

The habit of these Canons, was a white Coat and a Linnen Surplice, under a black Cloak, with a hood covering their head and neck, which reached to the shoulders; having under it, doublet, Breeches, white and stockings,

and shooes or slippers, and when they walk out, a black corner'd cap, or a broad hat: their Crowns being shaven, but not so much as other Monks.

This House was formerly a Cell belonging to the Canons Regular of *S. Augustine* at **Kenilworth** in **Warwickshire**, given to that Monastery by *Hugh de Ferrers*, Son of *Walkeline* the first Baron of **Okeham**, which gift was confirmed by *William* brother of the said *Hugh*, in these words,

Ego W. de Ferrariis meos homines at- que meos Amicos saluto. Vobis viventibus atque venientibus notifico, quatenus ex mea parte, Elemosinam, quam Hugo frater meus Priori & Canonicis de Kenilworth dedit, libenter concedo. Mon. Ang. 2. Vol. 130. a

This was also ratified by King H. 2. by his charter containing (*inter alia*) *Concedo etiam & in Elemosinam confirmo supradictis Canonicis, terram de Broch, cum Bosco, & exsartis sicut Hugo de Ferraris eis divisit & concessit, assensu Walchelini nepotis sui & Willielmi fratris sui, sicut in eorum Cartis continetur.* Id. ib.

In the 19th. year of H. 3. on the Friday next before the Feast of Pentecost, the Prior of **Kenilworth** presented Frier *Richard de Ludington* one of the Canons of **Kenilworth**, to be Prior of the house of **Broch**; which *Richard*, the then Bp. of **Lincoln** invested into the said Office, by delivering into his hands the Book of the said Priory. Reg. Lin. Temp. Hug. Epi.

At the time of the desolution of this House *Roger Harwel* was Prior of **Broch**, and had a grant from the King of 10 l. per An. for his maintenance, until he should be otherwise provided of some Ecclesiastical preferment, which grant bears date 2. July. 28. H. 8. But it seems that this *Roger Harwel* did not behave himself well and prudently in the surrender of the same as appears by the following Letter writ to Secretary *Cromwel*, and dated 17. June 1536. from the Abbot of **Kenilworth**. Ex Registro, in officio Augmentat.

Ryght

Ed. Cæcon
Chap. E. 4.
f. 214.

Ryght honorable and my singular good Master, my covenable duty with condigne Recommendacions humbly unto your Mastership remembryd: may it please you to be further advertysed of such matter as at this day I and my pore house are much perplexed and unquieted in, concerning our mannor or Cell of **Broke** in the County of **Rutland** which by the unjust and untrue demeanor and behaviour of such my Chanon as I sent thider for to have the Governance and rule thereof and for that he had not such profitable and commodious pencyon assigned and made sure unto him during his life as he and his counsell wold and could devise and aske hath intyled the Kings hygness in his Court of augmentatyon unto the boole tytle and interest thereof, which wold and shall be enles your merciful favour be ministrid and shewed therein a utter undoyng and distruction of my house and Monastery for ever, for it is not unremembered I dowte not unto you that when I first received your Letters concerning the said house at my next sending after the said your Letters I offrid the ferme and lesse of the same unto ony friend of yours that it please you to nam thereunto and so entred into bargeyn and lesse and dimisid it after such forme and facion as ye knowe, with bond of a M. mark unto the lesse for his surety and state therein, accordingly, wch if it cannot be performed by us we be dangered in the said sum by the Laws of this Realme, wherefore it may please you of your goodnes and profit charite to be a mean unto the Kings highnes and to order of his Counsell that shall have the bearing ordning and determination of the said matter that our just trewe and persit interest of the said Maner of **Broke** with the appurtenances which war perpetually and fregly given unto our Monastery of **Kenellworth**, in pure Almesse as it is most evidently apparent in evidenc may stille belonge and apperteyn unto our said house according as thys Law is and right doth require and aske, and for that it shall not become me to stand in contention and traverse with his highnes or to defend or prosecute any thing that his Grace and Counsell do suppose and deme to be his right and title by his Lawis newly made and ordered it may please your Mastershippe for and in my name to be solicitour and mediatour that I and my house may have and enioye of the Lesse of our said Sovereyghne Lord

the Residue of all the Landis and Tenementis at this day belonging unto the said Cell of **Broke** for such resonable Rent as they now be demysed by me and for like yers in fee ferme to thentent that such my Lesse as now hath them by me may enjoy and continue such dimission as is dymisid unto them in salvation of the Bond of the said M. mark wherunto I and my house stand charged. And where it pleased the Kings highnes for my good and true service done to his grace at the Insurrection at **Cobentre** to my great charge, to promise me his favour in ony my reasonable sute concerning ryght of my house, I shall for his goodnes to me in this case shewed accept my selfe well recompensid, and what end soever your Mastershippe shall take I shall at all oures abyde, for in you nowe is all my trust as God knoweth who ever prosper you in benoir. At **Kenellworth** the xviii. day of Junij,

Your humble Orator
WILLIAM Abbat ther.

This Priory was in the 26th. H. 8. valued at 40. l. per an. as appears by a Catalogue then taken of the values of all Religious houses, which Catalogue was afterwards inserted in the Book of first Fruits and Tenths. But in **Speeds** Catalogue, which was made at the time of the Suppression (later than the other) it is valued at 43. l. 13. s. 4. d.

After the dissolution of this house Pat. 28. H. 8. (which happened, which the other lesser Pat. 2. Monestaries in the year 1536. (28. H. 8.) that King granted to **Anthony Cope** Esq; the late Priory of Canons of the blessed virgin **Mary of Broke**, in **Broke**, in the County of **Rutland**: As also the Manior of **Broke** with the Appurtenances in the said County of **Rutland**, to hold in Capite by Knights service, reserving out of the premises the yearly rent of 4. l. 13. s. 11. d. payable at **Michaelmas**, which Grant bears date the 9. of Sept. in the 28. H. 8.

In the 2. year of **Edw. 6. Sr. An-** Pat. 1. E. 6. **thony Cope** Knight, obtain'd Licence of Pat. 3. the King to alienate the said Mannor of **Broke** in **Com. Rutland**, to **Andrew Noel** Esq; and his heirs for ever. In which honourable family this Mannour continues at this day.

See **Ridlington**.

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III

Speed hist.
p. 1090.

In the Church.

On a fair Monument in the Chancel,
the following Inscriptions.

C Arolus Andraei proles generosa Noeli
Incolit hunc Tumulum corpore, mente Polam.
In quo certarunt totas exprimere Dotes
Natura & Virtus, Marsque Minerva, suas:
Esse pium tribuit Virtus, Natura Decorum,
Mars fortem, ingenium clara Minerva dedit.
Hic tamen eripitur primævo flore Juventa,
Ut soleant rapido gemma perire Noto.

If Gifts of mind and Body might
Make Death forbear to claim his Right,
This compleat Knight had not by fate
Enjoy'd on Earth so short a date:
But Death, impartial in his Power,
Untimely cropt this Blooming Flower;
Whose hopeful Youth, scarce in her Prime,
Did Promise much for future time.

Obiit Anno Do. 1619.
Ætatis sue 28.

BURLY.

Domesday tit.
Rotel.

Burly on the Hill stands a mile
North east from **Okeham**, in
the hundred of **Alto**: most
daintily seated (says *Cambden*) and over-
looking the Vale. Before the time of
the Conquerours survey one **Ulf** a *Saxon*
did hold in **Burgelat** 2. Carucates
as rated to the Geld or Tax, which
land was indeed seven Carucates.
Afterwards *Goisfridus* the Man, or
Fermour, of *Gislebert de Gand* held
here two Carucates, and thirty Villains,
and eight *Bordarii* having four Caruca-
tes and thirty acres of Meadow. A wood
(*pro loca pastilis*) of one mile in length
and three furlongs in breadth. In the
time of King *Edward*, this was valued
at 4. *l.* but at the time of the said
survey at 5. *l.*

Now: Vill. in
Scacc.

In the 9. E. 2. *Nicholas de Segrave*
was Lord of **Burly** and **Alethorpe** (a
small Village hereunto adjoining) of
which last there is nothing now re-

maining. Yet was the said Village at
the Conquerours survey valued at 40. *s.*
and held of the King by one *Ogerus*
Son of *Ungemar*. Here were then in-
habiting eleven Villains and four *Bor-*
darii possessing four Carucates and six-
teen acres of meadow. Here was also
a Wood of three furlongs in length and
two in Breadth,

Domesday tit.
Rotel

In the 27 E. 3. *Warenus de Insula* *Claus.* 27. E. 3.
Son and heir of *Gerard de Insula* Knight, *M.* 11.
did release to *Anne* late wife of *Edward*
le Despensier Knight, and to the heirs
of the said *Anne* all his Right in the
Mannour of **Burghlet**. In the same
year also *William de Ferraris*, relea-
sing to the King all his right in the
Castle and Mannour of **Woxend** and
other Lands, the King was pleased to
grant in exchange to *Thomas le Dis-*
pensier and his heirs Mails, a Moicty of
the Mannour of **Burghlet**.

I read in *Bp. Godwins Catalogue* of
En-

English Bishops, under the Title of *Godw. Cat. Bps. Nor.* **Henry Spencer** Bp. of **Notwich**, that the said martial Bp. in the year 1381. when he first heard of the Commotions then newly rais'd by *Wat Tyler* and *Jack Straw*, &c. was at his Mannour of **Burle** neer **Ockam** Castle, from whence he marcht directly with such force as he could suddainly gather, and suppress the Rebels in his Diocese, headed by one *John Lister* a Dyer of **Notwich**. But we must observe that as he did this more as a valiant *Spencer*, than a Bishop; so also he enjoy'd this Mannour not as belonging to his Bishoprick but as his paternal Inheritance, or Lay fee: For I find an old Rent of 12. s. 4. d. arising to the Crown from *Thomas le Dispencer* for a Leet cum pertinenciis in **Burley** which the said *Thomas* held in Capite, and this is still charg'd upon the Sheriff of **Rutlands** accounts in the Pipe Office, at this day.

H. 18. R. 2. ex parte Rem. Thef. Rot. 2. In the 18. year of R. 2. *Robert de* **Plessington** Son and Heir of *Robert de* **Plessington** Knight held the Mannour of **Burghle** with the Appurtenances in the County of **Rutland**, and one yard Land with the Appurtenances in **Alethorp** in the said County parcel of the said

Mannour, of the King in Capite by the service of half a Knights fee.

In the 27 H. 6. *John Fraunceys* Esq; and *Isabel* his wife, Cousin and heir of *William Plessington* Son and heir of *Henry Plessington* Knight, held the Manour of **Burley** of the King in Capite by the service of half a Knights Fee. *ib. M. 27. H. 6.*

Afterwards this Mannour coming into the family of the *Sapcotes*, by reason that *Thomas Sapcotes* 3d. Son of *Sr. Richard Sapcotes* of **Elton** (in com. **Hunt.**) had married *Jane* daughter and coheir of the abovesaid *John Francis*, it continued in that name and family till the 3. of *Ed. 6.* in which year it was found that *Edward Sapcotes* dyed seized of the Mannour of **Burley** which he held of the King in Capite by knights service, and that *Dorothy Durant* wife of *John Durant*, *Thomas Wake*, and *Robert Brooksby*, were his next heirs. Which said *Thomas Wake* in the same year obtain'd the Kings Licence to alienate his purparty, viz. the 3d. part of the said Mannour of **Burly** to *Sr John Harrington* Knight and his Heirs. Also in the 4th. year of *Queen Elizabeth* the foresaid *Robert Brooksby* obtain'd Licence to alienate his 3d. part to *Sr. James Harrington* Son of the said *Sr. John*. *Etc. 3. E. 6. 3 E. 6. p. 4.*

Sir Robert Plessington, Kt. Treasurer of the Exchequer.

Robert Plessington, Esq;

Sir Henry Plessington, Kt.

..... d. of Roger Flore.

John Plessington.

William Plessington, Esq; ob. s. p. d. of the Lord Scroope.

Sir John Francis Kt.

Isabel, d. & coh. of John Plessington of Burly, Esq;

Jane Ux. Thomas Sapcotes, of Burly.

Alice Ux. Stavely de Com. Nott.

Jane Ux. Rogeri Flore, de Ockham.

Sir Edward Sapcotes, of Burly Kt. ob. s. p.

Anna Ux. Anth. Broofby, de Shouldby, Com. Leic.

Isabella Ux. Thom. Wake de Com. Northam.

Dorothea Ux. Joh. Durant de Cotefmore.



Esc. 14. Jac.
part 2. n. 116.

It was found by Office taken 22 Martii, 13 Jacobi, that John Lord Harrington the Elder died seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Burly** and **Allesthorpe** Lands alias **Awstroppe** Field, which he held in Capne by the 4th. part of a Knights Fee.

Rot. fin. m. 14.
Jac.

In the Family of the **Harringtons** of **Exton**, this Lordship continued, till purchased from the heirs general of that Family, by the eminently great Sr. George **Villers**, whom (for the extraordinary merits of his person) King **James** created, first, Gentleman of his Bedchamber, then Master of the Horse, after which on the 24. of Apr. 1615. He was elected into the society of the Companions of the most Noble Order of the Garter, soon after general Warden and chief Justice of all the Forests North of **Trent**, then on the 27. Aug. following advanced to the Title of Lord **Whaddon**, of **Whaddon** (in Com. **Bucks**.) soon after Vicount **Villers**, on the 5th. Jan. 1616. created Earl of **Buckingham**, on the 1 Jan. 1617. Marquess of **Buckingham**, on the 13. Jan. 1618. Lord high Admiral of **England**, **Ireland**, and **Wales**, on the 4. Feb. Sworn of the Privy Council, and about the same time, made Justice in **Cyre** of all the Parks and Forests South of **Trent**, Master of the Kings Bench Office, high Steward of **Westminster**, and Constable of **Windsor** Castle; afterwards he was created by Patent

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bearing date, May 18. 21. Jac. Earl of **Cobentry**, and Duke of **Buckingham**. He was also Lord high Steward of **England** at the Coronation of King **Charles** the First, and Chancellour of the University of **Cambridge**: And what is more than all, the Mignon of two great and good Kings.

After the Duke of **Buckingham** had purchased this Lordship as aforesaid, he made it one of the finest Seats in these parts of **England**; improving the house to that advantage, that it became a second **Belvoir**, and in some respects superior to that famous Seat of the Earls of **Butland**: situate on a hill, a princely Park and Woods adjoining, overlooking the little, but rich, Vale of **Catnis**, and several fair Lordships belonging to the same Owner.

Here it was that that Duke entertained King **James** and all his Court, in a manner worthy the gratitude of so beloved a favorite. And among the famous Bishop **Andrews** his printed Sermons, we find several preacht before the King at **Burley** by **Okeham**.

Here it was that the King, Prince **Charles**, and Court, were first presented with **Ben. Johnsons** Mask of the **Gipsies**, acted all by Nobility; an Entertainment so pleasing to that King, that it was acted again in the same Progress at **Beaver**, and after that at **Windsor**.

Alexander



Alexander de Villiers, *Ortus*
è fennate Normannorum.

Nicholaus de Villiers, *miles*
vixit tempore E. 1.

Galfridus de Villiers, *Dominus de*
Brokesby in Com. Leic. 20 E. 3.

Johannes de Villiers, — Johanna *Sor. & cob. Simonis*
de Brokesby. Pakeman.

Richardus de Villiers;
ob. 15 R. 2.

Johannes de Villiers,
ob. 4 H. 5.

Johannes de Villiers,
ob. f. p.

Wilhelmus de Villers,
fil. 2. ob. 20. E. 4.

Johanna *Sor. & cob.*
Johannis Bellere.

Johannes Villers, — Elizabetha *fil. ... Southill*
ob. in vit. pat. de Everingham.

Johannes Villers, — Agnes *fil. Johannis*
miles 22 H. 7. Digby.

Wilhelmus Villers, — Collet *fil. & b. Richardi*
ob. 6 Mar. Clark, vidua Ric-
hardi Beaumont de
Cole Orton.

Andrey *fil. Willielmi*
Saunders de Harring-
ton Com. North. Arm.
Ux. 1.

Georgius Villers,
de Brokesby mil.
ob. 1605.

Maria *fil. Anthonii*
Beaumont de Cole-
orton, Com. Leic. ar.
Ux. 2.

Wilhelmus
Villers, *de*
Brokesby
mil. & bar.

Edwardus Vil-
lers, *m. Pre-*
fidens de Mun-
ster.

Barbara *neptis*
Olivarii Vlc.
Grandison.

Johannes Vice-
comes *Pur-*
bec.

Georgius Dux
Buckingha-
miæ *aff. fina-*
tus 1628.

Catherina
fil. & b.
Comitis
Rutlan

Christo-
phorus
Comes de
Anglefy.

Maria *Uxor*
Willielmi
Comitis de
Denbigh.

Wilhelmus
Villers,
Viccomes
Grandison.

Jacobus *ob.*
infans.

Georgius Dux
Bucklagha-
miæ *natus,*
1627.

Franciscus Dominus
Villers, *occisus f. p.*
1648.

Maria, *vidua*
Caroli Dom.
Herbert.

Jacobus Dux
Richmondæ
Mar. 2.

Barbara
Ducissa
de Cle-
vcland.

Esme Dux
Richmond.
ob. 1660.
f. p.

Maria *Uxor*
Richardi
Comitis De
Arran.

But during the late Rebellion, in the year 1645. the Parliament Army prevailing in these parts, they placed a small Garrison in this House, just enough to guard their Committy, and to harrasse the Country; but being too weak to defend themselves from any

attempt that might be made by the Royalists, they set fire to the House and Furniture, and left it. Yet the Stables 'scaped the effect of their malice, which remain to this day the noblest (or at least equal to any) Building of this kind in England,



Burley Stables on the East side.

Of the Church there.

Reg. Linc.

*Comp. in Offic.
Augmentationis
pro com Rutl.*

*Certif. pro com.
Rutl. in Offic.
Augm. 2. E. 6.*

IN the 2 E. 1. (1274) The Priores of **Eaton** (*viz.* Nun. **Eaton** in **Com. Warwick**) presented to the Vicarage of the Church of **Burley**. To which House the Rectory of **Burly** was found to belong, at the time of the suppression.

Here was formerly in our Lady Chappel in this Church one Chantry founded by Dame **Elizabeth Sapcotts**: The particulars of which Foundation were in the 2 E. 6. Surveyed and thus

certified by **Richard Cecyl**, Esq; and **Thomas Hays**, Commissioners for that purpose, *viz.*

*Founded for one Priest to sing Mass there for ever, and hath one Pension out of the Lands of the late Monastery of **Wipwell** in the County of **Northampton**, per Annum 110 s. whereof in Almes distributed to poor people at the day of the Obit of the said Lady Sapcotts, per An. 3 s. 4 d. Remains for the Pension of the Chantry Priest, named Sir Thomas Watson,*

son, aged 42 years, of good report among his Neighbours there, per An. 106 s. 8 d. inde pro decima Regi, per An. 9 s. 4 d. Plate belonging to the said Chantry, one Chalice of 11 oun. delivered to the Jewel House. Ornaments valued at ——— 9 s. 8 d.

It was found by Office in the 14 of King James, that John Lord Harrington

the elder, dyed seized of the Rectory of **Burly**, which he held in Socage of the Mannour of East **Greenwich**, by Fealty only.

The Vicarage of **Burly** is valued in the Kings Books at 10 l. 13 s.

The present Patron is the Duke of **Buckingham**.

BYSBROOK, or PISBROOK.

Bysbrook lies in the Hundred of **Clangdyke**. It appears in the Conquerours Survey, that at that time, the King held in this Town and **Claiton** (as parcel of his Mannour of **Berchedone**) one Hide of Land and a half, of Arable four Carucates, and eight Acres of Meadow.

At the same time, one **Robertus** held of **Judith** the Countess, in this Town (then writ **Witlegbroch**) two Hides and one yard Land, three Carucates and a half of Arable, in demesne one Carucate, two Servants, and twelve Villains, with four **Bordarii**, possessing two Carucates and a half. Here were twenty Acres of Meadow, and a Wood one furlong and a half long, and as much in breadth, formerly valued at 20 s. but then at 30 s. *Edwardus tenuit cum Saca & Soca.*

In the Reign of E. 2. **John de Nevile** of **Wymondewold**, and **Thomas de Middleton** were Lords of **Witlegbroke**.

In the 36 E. 3. **William de Burton** Lord of **Colethorp** granted to **Richard de Bajocis** Knight, and **Robert de Bajocis** his Son, and to their heirs, all his Lands and Tenements in **Witlegbroke** (*Com. Rutl.*) late belonging to **John Middleton**, and by him purchased of **John de Wempton**.

King **Edward** the 6th. in the first year of his reign, granted to **Richard Lee** (among other things) the Mannour of **Bysbroke** with its appurtenances in the County of **Rutland**, with all and singular Messuages, Lands and Tenements in **Bysbroke** formerly belonging to the Colledge of **Fodrynghey** in the County of **Northampton**, to

hold of the King in *Capite* by Knights Service.

In the second year of King E. 6. the said **Richard Lee** obtain'd Licence to alienate the said Mannour to **Anthony Andrews** and his Heirs. Which **Anthony** dyed seized of the said Mannor in the 1. El. leaving **Edward Andrews** his Son and heir. But part of this Estate the said **Anthony** devised to **Anthony** his second Son. Upon which devise there afterwards arose a notable Case, which was adjudged in the Court of Wards *Ter. Mic. 32. and 33. Eliz.* and is thus reported by Serjeant **Moer**.

Anthony Andrews having Issue three Sons **Edward**, **Anthony**, and **Fabian**, and being seized in Fee simple of Land, in **Pisbroke** in the County **Rutland**; by his last Will in writing, An. 1557, devised the said Lands to remain after the Death of his Wife, to **Anthony** his Son and his heirs, and in case **Fabian** lived till the said Lands come to **Anthony**, then that **Anthony** pay to **Fabian** 10 l. per An. so long as the said **Fabian** liveth. **Anthony** the Father dyes: **Anthony** the Son cometh to the Lands, payeth the Rent, hath issue, and dyes. The question was whether the Land be charged by Law with this Rent, as a Rent Seck to be paid by the issue of **Anthony** to **Fabian** still living, or whether it was determined by the Death of **Anthony**. And it was resolved upon advice with **Wray** and **Anderson** chief Justices, that the Land remain'd still charged with the said Rent as a Rent Seck, and that the heirs or Assignes of **Anthony** were obliged to pay it during the Life of **Fabian**.

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Anthony

Domesd. Nort. n. 1.

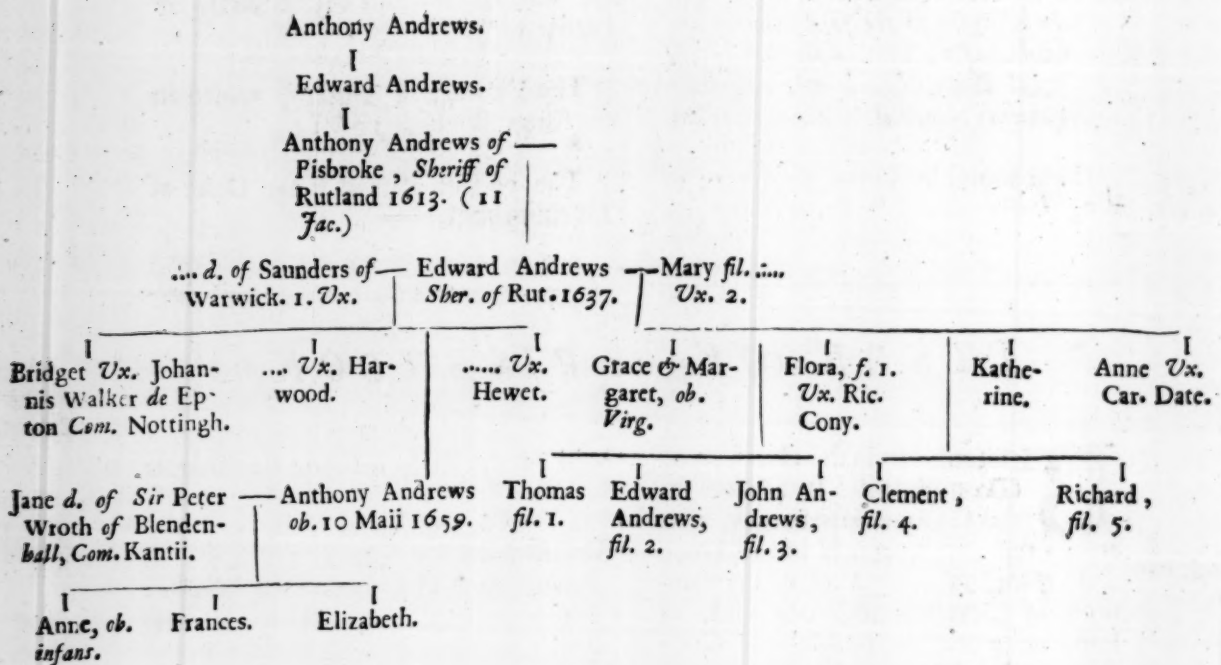
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Clauf. 35. E. 3. m. 19.

1 E. 6. p. 1.

Moors Rep. f. 721.



The last of this Family who own'd this Lordship was *Edward Andrews* Esq; who had been Sheriff of this County in the year 1637. and not long

after sold his Estate in this Town. The Present Lord of this Mannour is the Right Honourable *John* Earl of *Rutland*,

Of the Church there.

*Rib. Cot. Sub
cap. Cleopatra
E. 4. f. 273.*

*Comp. pro Com.
Rutland. in
offic. Augm.
3 E. 6.*

THE Church of *Bysbroke*, did formerly belong to the Monastery of *Dabentry*, and upon the Dissolution of that House, it was designed to be Impropriated to Cardinal Colledge (now called Christ Church) in the University of *Oxford*; As I find in a List of all those Parsonages intended to be annex to that Colledge. But it seems that Colledge enjoyed it not long, if at all: For King *E. 6.* by Letters Patents dated 8 *Maii* in the third year of his Reign granted the said Rectory to Sir *Edward Montague* Knight, Chief Justice, and to *John Cam-*

pinet, their Heirs and Assignes for ever, to hold in Soccage, as of the Mannour of *Geddington* in *Com. Northampton* by whom it was soon after, viz. 6 July 3 *E. 6.* conveyed to *Anthony Andrews* and *Dorothy* his Wife, and to the heirs and Assignes of the said *Anthony* for ever.

The Vicarage of *Bysbrooke* is valued in the Kings Books at, 6 *l.* 4 *d.*

The present Patron is

CALDECOT

CALDECOT:

Caldecot is a small Village in the hundred of *Wangdike*, and Borders on part of *Northamptonshire*. It hath had a dependence on the Mannour of *Lydington*, ever since the Conquest.

See *Lydington*.

The Present Lord of this Town, as

also of *Lydington*, is the Right Honourable *John* Earl of *Exeter*.

I find in the account of *John* *Dod-*^{Comp. pro com: Rutl. in Offic. Augm. 3 E. 6.}
dington the Kings Receiver in this County, in 3 E. 6. mention of certain Lands in this Town parcel of the late dissolved Monastery of *Piptwell* in the County of *Northampton*,

CASTERTON Magna, or BRIG-CASTERTON.

This Town lies in the East hundred.

Mr. Camden is of opinion, that the Antient Roman Station, mentioned in *Antoninus*, and called *Gausenna*, stood in this Place, and that the great Town of *Stamford* in *Lincolnshire*, distant about a mile from hence, grew out of the Ruins of this; the affinity of the name of the Rivulet that runs here, called *Guaſſ* (the only River proper to this County) conduces to this purpose. So also do the great number of old Roman Coins, which have been, and still are found in Plowing and Diging in the adjoining fields and Grounds.

Of which many Roman Coins found in and about this Lordship, I must here observe to the Reader, what *Mr. William Burton* notes in his description of *Leicestershire*. That it was the Custom of the Romans under the foundation of their Altars, or any other Building, Monument, or peice of work of note, to cast or lay some of their Emperors Coyns in whose time the said Foundation was laid, to signifie the beginning, and preserve the memory of the said Work to Posterity. For the same reason also they used to put into their Urns among the ashes of the deceased, some Coins of the Emperour then

Reigning, and so bury the same.

It is supposed (saith *Mr. Camden*)^{Camb. ab. ſup.} that this *Gausenna* was overthrown when the Picts and Scots had spoiled all the Country, as far Southwards as to *Stamford*, where *Hengiſt*, and his English Saxons with their unwearied force and singular prowess, hindred the passage of those furious Nations, so that after many of them were slain, and more taken prisoners, the rest betook themselves to flight.

Before the Conquest Earl *Morcar* held *Castertone*, but at the time of *Domeſ-*^{Domeſday North. No. 1}
day Survey, *Hugo* the Son of *Baldric* held it in farm of the King. There were at that time three hides and a half, of arable nine Carucates, in Demefne one Carucate, twenty four Villains, two Socmen, two *Bordarii*, with a Preiſt and two Servants, having seven Carucates. Here was also exprest in the same Survey a Mill of 16 s. and sixteen acres of Meadow, with a *Spinetum* (or ground over run with thorns) of three furlongs in length, and two in breadth, all formerly valued at 6 l. but then at 10 l.

In the Reign of E. 2. *John de la Ware* was Lord of *Brig-Casterton*.^{Nom. Vill. in Scac.}

Henry Lord *Scroop* of *Bolton* in the Reign of H. 6. was seized of the Mannor

Camb. Brit. in Lincolnsh. p. 534.

Descrip. Leic. p. 132.

Bar. Eng.
1 Vol. 656.

Mannour of **Casterton** in *Com. Rotel.* and died so seized in the 47 year of that King.

Afterwards this Town became part of the Possessions of Sir **John Hussy** Knight, the first and last Baron of that name created by King **Henry the 8th.** Which said Lord **Hussy** was beheaded in **June 1537.** (29 *H. 8.*) for being engaged with the Commons in **Lincolnshire**, who in the foregoing year made a tumultuous Commotion, on the account of the alteration of Religion. After which this Estate came to the Crown; and accordingly I find, that **William Asplewood**, the Kings Bayly in these parts 3 *E. 6.* accounted for the Rents and profits of **Bridge-Casterton** parcel of the Lands of **John Lord Hussy** attaint of High Treason, the sum of 23 *l.* 1 *s.* 8 *d.* Also for the Farm of the Mannour or Capital House of **Woodhead** parcel of the Lands of the said Lord **Hussy** then in demise to **Richard**

Comp. in offic.
Augment. pro
Com. Rut.
3 *E. 6.*

Norley for one and twenty years by Indenture dated 14 *Apr. 34 H. 8.* the sum of ——— 14 *l.*

The present Lord of **Casterton Magna** and of **Woodhead**, is the Right Honourable **John Earl of Exeter.**

Of the ADVOWSON.

In the 46 *H. 3.* The then Queen of *Reg. Linc.* **England**, as Lieutenant or Agent for the Lord **Edmund** her Son, who was then absent in parts beyond the Seas, presented to the Church of **Casterton.**

In the 40 *E. 1.* Sir **John la Ware** Kt. *ib.* presented to the Church of Great **Casterton.**

The Rectory of **Casterton Magna** is valued in the Kings Books, at 11 *l.* 2 *s.* 9 *d.*

The present Patron is

Woodhead.

Within the Parish of **Bigg Casterton** lies **Woodhead**, formerly a Village and Chapelry, now only one house, and that in Ruins.

In the 17th. of *Edm. 1.* the Lady **Hawisa**, Widdow of **Robert de Greley** Lord of this Mannor, by vertue of her Dower of the Lands belonging to the

Regist. Linc.

said **Robert**, presented to the Chappel of **Woodhead**; The profits of which were at that time found to consist in the tithes of Corn, Hay, Wool, Lamb, Calves, and Pigs, arising out of the Demesnes of the Mannour of **Woodhead**, and in all the Oblations of the Family of the Lord of **Woodhead**, together with one Bovate of Land.

CASTERTON Parva.

Little **Casterton** lies in the East Hundred. Of this Town there is no mention in *Domesday Book*, it being no doubt at the time of that Survey, included either under the title of the other **Casterton**, or **Colethorp.**

Nom. VII.

In the Reign of *E. 2.* The Prior de

novo Loco (or **Revised**) was Lord of little **Casterton.**

In the 50th. year of *E. 3.* Sir **Thomas de Burton** Kt. did by his Deed dated on the *Saturday* next after the Feast of *St. Martin* the Bishop, convey unto **John Brown** of **Stamford** Esq; all his Lands, Tenements, Rents and Services in

Ex Stem. pen.
Chr. Brown
Ar.

in the Village of little **Casterton**, with the Reversion of the Patronage of the Church there. From which **John Brown** is descended **Christopher Brown**, Esq; Lord of this Mannour. Of which Family vide **Tolthorp**, *infra*.

Comp. pro com.
Aul. in Offic.
Aug. 3. E. 6.

In the 3. E. 6. **Robert Hickin**, the Kings Bayly in these parts, accounted in the Court of Augmentations for the Sum of 40. s. for the yearly Rent, or farm, of one Messuage with the Lands thereunto belonging in **Casterton parva**, then in the Tenure of **Francis Brown** Esq; late parcel of the possessions of the foresaid Priory of **Belsted**, and 60. s. more for the farm of one other Messuage with the Lands thereunto belonging then in the Tenure of **Robert**

Johnson, parcel of the possessions of the said Priory, in all 100. s.

Of the ADVOWSON.

In the time of **Oliver Sutton** Bishop of **Lincoln** (which was in the reign of King **Edward 1.**) Sir **John de Oketon**, and **Alice** his Wife, presented **William de Empingham** Clerk to the Church of little **Casterton**, and recovered their presentation to the said Church from the Prior *de novo loco* in **Stamford**. *Reg. Line.*

The Rectory of **Casterton-Parva** is valued in the Kings Books at, 6 l. 15 s. 3 d.

The present Patron is **Christopher Brown** Esq;

In the Church of Little Casterton.

Graved in Brass about the Verge of a Gravestone.

† **H**ic jacet Dominus Thomas Burton miles quondam Dominus de Tolthorp ac Ecclesie istius Patronus qui obiit Et Domina Margarita Uxor sua in ejus sinistris quorum animabus propitietur Deus, Amen.

CLIPSHAM.

Clipsham belongs to the hundred of **Okeham** Soak, notwithstanding it lyes on the utmost Limits of this County, adjoining to **Lincolnshire**, and hath the whole hundred of **Alstoe** interposed between this Town and **Okeham**.

Of this Town I find no mention in *Domesday* Book.

Nom. Vil. in
Scacc.

In the 9. E. 2. the then Lord *de la South* was Lord of this Town, at that time written **Kilpegham**.

Bar. Eng. 1.
Vol. 691.

In the 26. E. 3. **William** Lord **Zouche** of **Harringtonworth** dyed seized of the Mannour of **Kilpegham** (the same with **Clipsham**) in the County of **Rutland**, leaving **William** his Grandson his heir, who died seized of the said Estate 5. R. 2. and in the same Family it continued till the 3. H. 5. in which year another **William** dyed seized of the said Estate, after which I find no

more mention of this Town in that Family.

As to the Tenure, it appears by Office found in the 5th. year of H. 4. That **William le Zouche** (or **Souche**) Son and heir of **William le Souche** held of the King at the day of his Death, among other lands in diverse Counties, the Mannor of **Clipsham**, with the Advowson of the Church of the same, with all the appurtenances in the County of **Rutland**, as of the Castle of **Hokham** by the service of the 20th. part of a Knights fee. *Hil. 5. H. 4. ex parte Rem. Thesaur.*

And thus we may see how it comes that this Town lying so far distant, doth notwithstanding belong to the hundred of **Okeham-Soak**; viz. by reason of the Tenure and relation in point of Estate to **Okeham** Castle, and possibly they both had in former times the same Owner, the Estates of great men being in

in old time tax and asselt together, tholying in divers hundreds, sometimes in divers Counties; and therefore in process of time a Town in one hundred has been reckon'd belonging to an other, and a Town in one County belonging to an other, divers Examples of which may be seen in the Antiquities of **Warwickshire**, p. 588. b. and p. 481.

1. H. 7. p. 3.

King H. 7. in the first year of his reign granted to *David Phillips* (among other things) the Mannour of

Clipsam, to hold by the same services, by which it had been formerly held.

It was found by inquisition taken at **Okeham** 22. Mar. 13. Jac. after the decease of *John Lord Harrington*, that the said Lord dyed seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Clipsam** in this County.

The present Lord of this Mannour is *Ezechiel Johnson* Clerk, Grand-Son of *Robert Johnson* Archdeacon of **Leicester**.



Morris Johnson Alderman of **Stamford**, Com. Linc. — d. of ... *Lassels alias Lacy* of **Stamford**

Robert Johnson, of **North Luffenham**, in Com. Rutland Archdeacon of **Leicester**.

Catherine Ux. *Edward Overton* of **Morcote** Com. Rut.

... d. of ... *Meadows* 1. Wife.

Abraham Johnson, of **South Luffenham** Com. Rutl.

Cicily d. of *Laurence Charderton* D. D. 2. Wife.

Isaak Johnson,

Samuel ob. f. p. 1658.

Daniel ob. 1670.

James.

Nathaniel.

Francis.

Elizabeth.

Anne da. of *John Boate* of **North Kilworth** Com. Leic. clerk Ux. 1. ob. 1635.

Ezechiel Johnson, natur. 1607.

Thalia da. of *Sir Edw. Heron* of **Cressy-hall** Com. Linc. Ux. 2. ob. f. p.

Margaret Ux. *Thomæ Maish*, Gen.

Anne Ux. *Thomæ Johnson*, ar.

Of the Church there.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 4. H. 3. *John de Fraxinet* presented to the Church of **Kilpepsam**.

Ib.

In the 2 E. 1. *Sir Endo la Zouch* Knight presented to the said Church.

Certif. pro com. Rutl. in Office Augm. An. 2. E. 6.

Here was formerly within the Chapel of **St. Nicholas** in this Church one Chauntry founded by *William la Zouche*. The particulars of which Foundation were surveyed, and thus certified by *Richard Cicyl* Esq; and *Thomas Hays* Commissioners for that purpose 2. E. 6. viz.

Founded for the maintenance of one Priest to sing there for ever. Hath of

Lands and Tenements in the Counties of **Rutland and Lincoln** ---- 106. s. 8. d., Whereof Rents Resolute, 4. d. remains cleer for the portion of the Chauntry Priest *Sir Richard Tayler*, aged 46. years and is impotent but of very honest Report, and hath nothing to live upon but this Chauntry, 106 s. 4 d. per An. Inde pro Decima Regi per An. 9 s. 8 d.

One Challice parcel gilt, delivered to the Jewel-house.

Ornaments valued at 12 s. 4 d.

The Rectory of **Kilpepsam** is valued in the Kings Books at, 10 l. 0 s. 3 d.

The present Patron is

Cotsmore

COTSMORE.

*Domesday tit.
Rotel.*

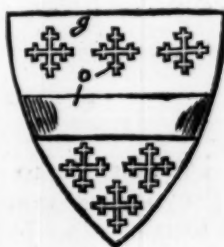
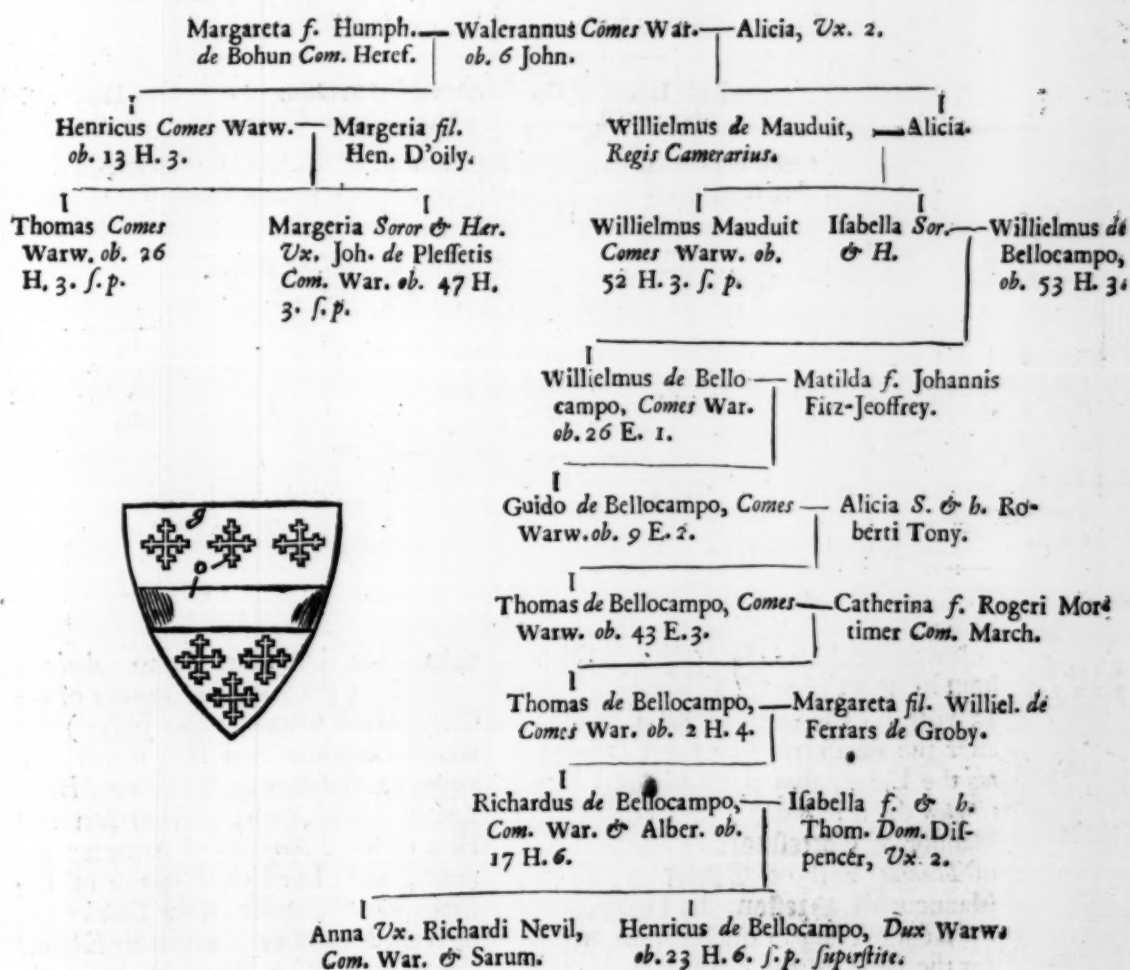
L Yes in the hundred of **Alstoe**. In the Conquerors survey it is recorded that one **Goda** a Saxon did formerly hold here 3 Carucates of Land, as tax to the Geld; The Land was 12 Carucates. Here the King held 3 Carucates in Demesne, and 3 Sockmen, with 40 Villains, and 6 *Bordarii* having 20 Carucates, here was 40 Acres of Meadow, and a Wood of one Mile in length and 7 furlongs broad, Valued in the time of King **Edward** at 7 *l.* and at the time of that Survey at 10 *l.*

ib. Of the Land of this Mannour one

Goisfridus held half a Carucate, he had one Plow and 8 Villains, valued at the time of the aforesaid Survey at 20 *s.*

Cotsmoze and **Greetham** were heretofore part of the possessions of **Waleran** Earl of **Warwick**, who died in the 6th. year of King **John**, which **Waleran** in his life time gave the said Mannors to a younger Son of his call'd by his own name **Waleran**, but he died issueless.

In the reign of **Edw. 2.** **Thomas** *Nom. Vill.* **Beauchamp** Earl of **Warwick** (descended from the aforesaid **Waleran**) was Lord of **Cotsmoze**. Which descent was as follows.



Efc. 2. El.

It was found by office taken in the 2d. of Queen Eliz. that **John Durant** held two parts of the Mannour of **Cottismore**, with the Appurtenances in **Exetham, Wempton, and Barrow**, of the Queen, by Fealty, and the Rent of one pair of Spurs. Which Family

of the *Durants* had been a long time seated here; whose descent so far as it relates to this Branch, I have here inserted, in respect to so ancient and honourable a Name, tho now quite worn out in **Rutland**.



Sir Walter Durant Kt. Bayliff of Archendown Forest, in Com. Suffex.

John Durant. — Evelina d. & coh. of William Placetis, qui ob. 2 E. 1.

Richard Durant f. 1. John Durant ... d. of Sir Charles Simon. Michael.
ob. 7 E. 3. fil. 2. Lupus, 2. W.

Sir John Durant, of Cottismore — Isabel d. of Sir Thomas Isabel ux. Tho.
& Barrow, Com. Rutl. John Lacy. Durant. mæ Peers.

Sir Hen. Durant, — Margaret da. of Rou-
of Cottismore. land St. Liz.

Sir Robert Durant, — Elizabeth d. of John Durant.
of Cottismore. ... Sherard.

John Durant of Cot- — Anne d. of William Sir Jeoffrey Durant Knighted
tismore & Bar. Fitzwilliams. by H. 7. ob. f. p.

Cicily d. of Augustine. — Thomas Durant, of — Jane d. of ... Har-
Freeston, 1. W. Cottismore. ington, 2. W.

Margaret d. of John — John Durant, of — Margaret, — Dorothy d. & coheir of
Holcroft, 1. W. Cottismore. 2. W. Sapcot, 3. W.

Margaret d. of John — William Durant, of — Margaret d. of John Durant. Jane, ux. Dorothy, ux.
Lane of Kettering Cottismore, ob. 20. George Sherard Rob. Nichols. Williel. Bring-
Com. North. 1. W. El. 2. W. hurst.

John Durant, of — Catherine d. of John
Yarnton. Com. Lane of Walgrave
Oxon. Com. Northamp.

Rose, ux. Arthur Lang-
worth of the Bril in Com.
Suffex.

Efc. 14. Jac.
p. 2. n. 116.

It was found by Office taken at **Okeham** in this County, 22 March, in the 13 year of the reign of King James, after the death of John Lord Harrington the Elder, that the said Lord Harrington dyed seized (*inter alia*) of this Mannor of **Cottismore**, which he held of Thomas Earl of **Exeter**, as of his Mannor of **Wreston**, by Fealty, and the Rent of one pair of Gilt Spurs, or 6d. for the same, at the Feast of St. Michael yearly.

Of later times, this Town and **Bar-**

row, came by purchase to Ambrose Crook Esq; (a younger brother of Sir George Crook Knight, the Judge) by whole Daughter and Heir it was conveyed in Marriage to Sir Edward Heath Knight of the Bath, (eldest Son and Heir of Sir Robert Heath Attorney general, and Lord chief Justice of the Kings Bench, under King Charles 1st. of blessed Memory) which Sir Edward dying, left issue Margaret his only Daughter and Heir, married to Sir Thomas Fanshaw Knight, by whom she left

left issue *Susanna* her Daughter and sole Heir, now married to the honourable *Baptist Noel Esq;* second Son (now living) of the Right honourable *Baptist Lord Vicount Campden*.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 13. H. 3. *William Mauduit* the Kings Chamberlain (who had married *Alice* Daughter of *Waleran* Earl of *Warwick*.) gave his consent to the presentation to the Vicarage in the Church of *Cotesmore*. *Que Vicaria consistit in toto Alteragio quod valet v. marc. & in decimis garbarum de toto Dominico Personae, & in minutis decimis, & in nutrimentis animalium ipsius, & in decimis feni de Winton, & in una Virgata ter-*

ra vicario assignata in Cotesmore de terra pertinente ad Ecclesiam.

In the 23. H. 3. the said *William Mauduit* and *Alice* his Wife presented to the Church of *Cotesmore*, which they recovered from the Prior of the holy Sepulcher at *Warwick*, in an Assize of Darrain presentment.

In the 40. E. 1. *Guy de Beauchamp* Earl of *Warwick* presented to the said Church.

In the 11. year of King *James*, *John* Lord *Harrington* the Elder dyed seized of the Advowson of this Church appendent to the Marinerour.

The Rectory of *Cotesmore* is valued in the Kings Books at, 25 l. 16 s. 1 d.

The present Patron is.

EDYWESTON.

Edyweston lyes in the hundred of *Martindley*. Of this Town there is no mention in *Domesday* book, it being no doubt, included in the Survey of *Hameldune Cherchsoch*, as one of the seven Berews or Hamlets thereunto belonging.

Mon. Ang. 2.
Vol. 951,

In the reign of King H. 2. *William de Tankerville* the Kings Chamberlain, confirming his Father *Ralphs* dotation, gave to God and the Abby of St. George of *Banquerville* in *Normandy* in the diocels of *Roan*, among divers other Lands in *France* and *England*, the Town and Church of *Wiston* (Com. *Notel*.) The said King *Henry* also gave leave to the said Monks to plow up and convert into Tillage all their Lands, which of the said *William* gift they held in the Forest of *Rutland*; confirming all their Estates as well here as beyond sea, with the grants of Priviledges and immunities relating to their Tenure. The Abbot of which Abby was Lord of this mannour in the reign of E. 2.

Id. 952.

Nom. Vil.

Mon. Ang. 1.
Vol. 965.

King *Richard* 2. in the 14th. year of his reign gave leave to the Abbot and Convent of St. George of *Banquerville* in *Normandy* of the Order of St. *Benedict*, to give the Mannour, House or Priory of *Egyweston* with the Appurtenances in the County of

Rutland (which they then posselt) to the Prior and Convent of *Carthusians* adjoyning to the City of *Coventry*, and to their Successors for ever.

And in that House this Estate continued till the dissolution, which was in the 30. H. 8. (1539) at which time *Francis Conyers Esq;* held this Mannour of *Egyweston* cum pertinentiis, together with the Advowson of the Church here, by lease from the said Priory, dated 3. Octob. 13. H. 8. for the term of 50. years, at the yearly Rent of 13 s. 4 d. payable at *Michaelmas*. Paying moreover to the Gardian of the Hospital of St. *John* and St. *Anne* of *Dekeham* 26 l. 13 s. 4 d. quarterly according to a Composition made between the said Gardian, and the above-said Prior and Convent.

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Rutl. in Offic.
Augm. 3 E. 6.

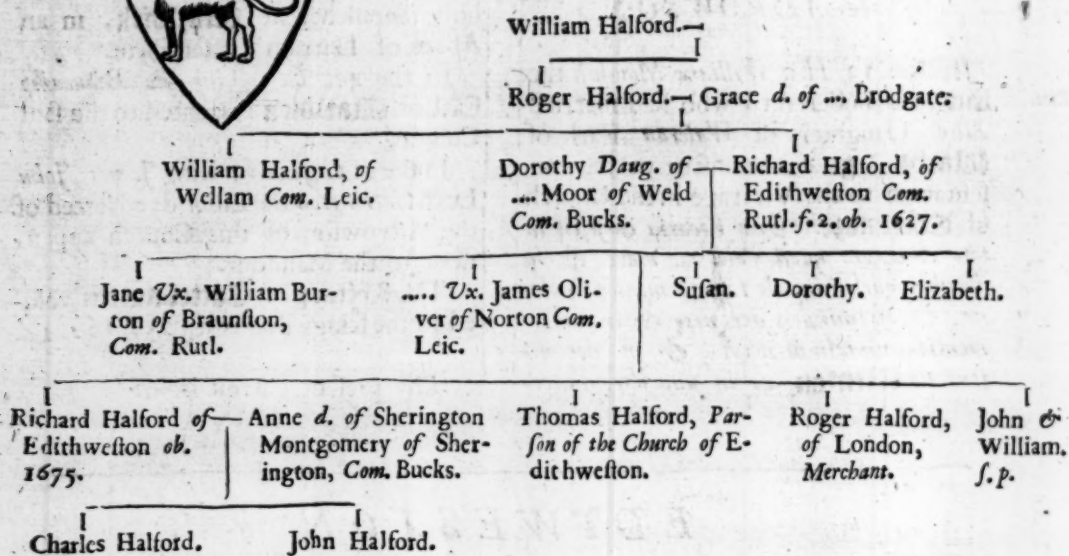
After which this Estate being in the Crown, upon the Dissolution of the said Priory as abovesaid,

King *Edward* 6th. in the 4th. year of his reign, granted all that the Mannour of *Egyweston* with its Appurtenances in the County of *Rutland*, and the Advowson of the Church there, to *William* Lord *Per* of *Bendale*, then Marquis of *Northampton*, to hold of the King in Capite, by Knights Service.

The present Lord of this Mannour is *Charles Halford Esq;*

G

William



Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 17. H. 3. the Abbot of Bauskerbille presented to the Church of St. Mary at **Welfton**. The Rectory of **Edweston** is valu-

ed in the Kings Books, at 14 l. 7 s. 4 d

The present Patron is Charles Halford Esq;

In the Church.

On a handsome Monument, in the North Wall of the Chancel.

Hic situs est Ricardus, Halford Armiger, Pacis fantor, ideoque non immerito ei tribueretur non solum nomen sed etiam Locus justiciarii Pacis. Sepultus Viceffimo quinto die Decembris, Anno Domini, 1627.

Richardus Halford Armiger, Filius Richardi, Justiciarius pacis, & bis Vicecomes Comitatus Rutlandie, duas sibi adjunxit uxores, Annam filiam Sheringtonis Montgomery de Sherington in Comitatu Bucks per quam duos habuit Filios, Carolum, & Johannem; & Janam Filiam Johannis Day de Chard in Comitatu Somerset. obiit 28 die Octobris Anno Aetatis sue 81. Annoque Domini, 1675

Egleton

E G L E T O N.

Egleton lies in the hundred of **Okeham Soak**. Of this Town there is no mention in *Domesday* book, it being included in **Okeham Cherchesoch**.

In the time of **Edw. 1.** this Town, together with **Okeham** and **Langham** in this County, was part of the Possessions of **Edmund** Earl of **Cornwall**, Son of **Richard** Earl of **Cornwall** (a younger Son of King **John** by **Sanchia** his Wife,) which **Edmund** had the Custody of this County from the 16th. year of the said King **E. 1.** till the 28th. in which year he died without issue. After whose death that King being pleased to allow 500 l. per An. to **Margaret** his Widdow during her life, assigned her for the payment of the same, this Town, and several other profits in this County. Which **Margaret** married for her second Husband **Piers de Gaveston**.

In the 9 E. 2. The said Lady **Margaret de Gaveston**, was Lady of this Town.

Of later time, this Mannor did belong to Sir **Anthony Brown** Knight, from whom it was conveyed to the Crown. And accordingly I find that **Robert Harbottell** the Kings Receiver in these parts did account in the Court of Augmentations, **Mic. 2 E. 6.** for the sum of 30 l. 15 s. 10 d. for the Rents and profits of **Egleton**, perquisit de **Anthonio Brown milite**, viz.

Rents of Assize, from William Feilding ,	1. s. d.
Thomas Barforth ,	30. 3. 8.
Cler. and Emme Procter , Wid.	
Rents of Tenants at Will.	29. 19. 6.
Profits of two Courts, that year.	0. 12. 8.

The Present Lord of this Mannour is the Right Noble **George Duke of Buckingham**.

Here was formerly in the Church of **Egleton** (which is a Chappel of Ease belonging to **Okeham**) a Guild

or Fraternity, so called from the Saxon word **Geld** and **Gild**, which signifieth money: because that such as were either for Charity, Religion, or Merchandize sake associated, did cast their monies, goods, yea and sometimes Lands together, for the publick support of their own common charge. These **Guilds** had their Annual Feasts and Neighbourly meetings, they chose yearly Officers, and maintained a Priest to say Masses for the living and dead of the Fraternity. which custom was very antiently used, and is still continued by the **Germans**, who call the frequent yearly Banquets of the Country people made at their common charge, **Gilden**.

From these **Gilds**, or Fraternities, divers Companies in the Citys and Corporations of England took their first Patterns.

Concerning which Guild here at **Egleton** it was thus certified by **Richard Cicyl** Esq; and **Thomas Hays** Commissioners to enquire of, and Survey the same, in the 2 E. 6. viz.

It was founded for the maintenance of one Priest to sing there for ever, and hath of Lands and Tenements thereunto appertaining in divers places within the County of **Rutland** to the yearly value of 108 s. 6 d. Whereof in Rent resolute to sundry persons 29 s. and so remaineth cleer by the year for the portion of the Gylde Priest there named **Sir Thomas Kelfo** of the age of seventy years, who is a very poor man of good report amonge his Neighbours but unable to serve a cure, and hath no other living 79 s. 6 d. never charged with any Tenths.

Memorandum, The number of Housing people (i. e. Communicants) in **Egleton** under the Cure of the Parson there, are four, and in **Okeham** under the Cure of the Vicar there four hundred, in all, where the Lands of the said Guild do lie, four hundred and four.

Another Priest of necessity is to be appointed to help in the Ministracion of the

Cure of **Okeham**, which is a great Town, and the cheefest Merket Town of the Shere of **Rutland**, and hath but one Curate to minister there, who in time of Gods visitation is unable to discharge the same.

There remaineth in the hands of Redmayle of **Egleton** husbandman, and Nowel Lloyde of **Burley**, late Wardens of the said Gylde of **Egleton**, in stock of redy money to them delivered by the hands of Sir Edward Sapcotts Knight, Robert Harbottel, Thomas Mallon, and Thomas King, late Wardens of the said Gylde, as of such Money as they had collected and gathered of the Devotion of the people of several Townships adjoyning to the house of the said Gylde, in An. 31. Regis nuper H. 8. which they before this Certificate taken, meant to have distributed to the poor Folks Boxes in the Parish Churches of the said Towns where it was before Collected, 72 s.

Comp. in offic.
Augment. pro
Com. Rut.
3 E. 6.

Thus far the above said Certificate. But a more exact particular of the Estate formerly belonging to this Guild appears in the account of Thomas Astwoode the Kings Receiver in the 3. E. 6. viz.

One Cottage with a small pightel of Land situate over against the Cross in the high street of **Egleton** aforesaid, then in the Tenure of Thomas Kelfoo, per An. 8 s.

One Cottage situated in the high street of the said Town of **Egleton** near the Bridge there, then in the Tenure of Thomas Seyton, per An. 4 s.

One Tenement new built situated upon Smythe Green, call'd the Slate house then in the Tenure of Robert Harbottel, per An. 6 s. 10 d.

One Messuage with a Pightel situate in the high street of **Egleton** with certain Lands in the Field there, then in the Tenure of Robert Brown, per An. 40 s.

One Messuage in **Okeham** in the West street there, with two yard Land in the Common Fields there, then in the Tenure of Thomas Symer, per An. 33 s. 4 d.

One Cottage situate opposite to the Cross in the Market there, then in the Tenure of Miles King, per An. 14 s.

One Void peice of ground containing by estimation half a Rod, adjoyning to the east end of the Stone Wall of the said Tenement of Miles King, then in the Tenure of VVilliam Halbie, per An. 2 s.

One small piece of ground in **Okeham** aforesaid containing by estimation in breadth 6. foot, and in length 30. foot, adjoyning to the east end of the Orchard of the Tenement of the said Miles King, then in the Tenure of Richard Cutte, per An. 4 d.

In all 108 s. 6 d.

All which Estate King Edward the 6th, granted by his Letters patents under the great Seal of **England** dated 16. Feb. in the 3. year of his reign, to Edward Warner, and John Gafsolde, Esquires, their Heirs and Assignes for ever, to hold of his honour of **Eve** in **Com. Suffolk**, in free Soccage and not in Capite, without any tenth reserved; who by their Deed dated 20 Feb. in the said 3d. year of that King, conveyed over all and singular the premises to Robert Harbottel Gent. his Heirs and Assignes for ever.

Comp. ut sup.

EMPINGHAM.

Empingham is situated in the East hundred, and was at the taking of the General Survey in the Conquerors time held by Gislebert de Gand. Here were then reckoned 4. hides of Land, of which 3. were held in Demesne. The arable Land contain'd eight Carucates or Plowlands, in Demesne four Carucates, together with eight Servants, and twenty five

Domesd. in
Northampton
n. 46.

Villains, who held four Carucates: here were at that time five Mills of the Rent of 42 s. and 8 d. and ten Acres of Meadow. Here was also at that time a Wood containing one Quarantene (or furlong) in length, and ten Perches in breadth. All which was at that time valued at 10 l. The same Gislebert held also in this Town seven Hides and a half, and one Bovate of Land

Land of the Kings Soak of Rutland & dicit Regem suum advocatum esse. The arable land was fifteen Carucates which were held at that time by fourteen Sockmen, and fifty one Villains, there were also in the same Tenure five Mills of the Rent of 24 s. also ten Acres of Meadow, and ten Acres of Wood, all then valued at 8 l.

Id. n. 30.

At the same time Salfredus held of William Peurel two Hides and a half in Empingham. The arable Land was four Carucates, in Demesne one Carucate, with one Servant and eight Villains, and eight Bordarii (or Cottagers) who had a Carucate, also one Mill and a half, of the Rent of 12 s. with four acres of meadow and six acres of Wood, all then valued at 20 s. Edwardus & Fregis tenuerunt cum Sa ca & Soca.

By all which it appears that this Town was in that age much bigger and more considerable than of late years.

Antiquit. of Warwicksh. p. 160.

Not long after the Conquest the Normanvilles became Lords of this Town and Normanton in this County. A Family of eminent note in those days for military affairs. For I find that about the later end of King Johns reign Ralf de Normanvill was sent by the King with forces to the defence of Kenilworth Castle, in Com. Warwick, against the Rebellious Barons of those times.

Ex collec. Wingf. Eodendham m. f. 16.

In the reign of King John, Ralf de Normanvile paid 60 marks, one Dexterarium (i.e. a horse for the great Saddle) and one Palfrey, for the farm of the County of Rutland, and for enjoying free Warren in his lands of Empingham.

Clau. 5. H. 3. m. 15.

In the 5 H. 3. the King directed his precept to Hugh de Nevile commanding him without delay to deliver to Ralf de Normanvill in his Baliwicke of the forest Clive, six Oaks, and six Furchias (i.e. Forks,) for the building of a certain Hall by him designed to be built at Amplingham. This last mention'd Ralf dyed in the 43 H. 3. and left issue Thomas de Normanvill, whose Daughter and heir, Margaret, became the wife of William de Basings, who died Lord of this Mannour in 9 E. 2. The same William appears to be one of those eminent persons in this County who in the 29 E. 1. received the Kings

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writ of Summons to attend him at Warwick upon Towerd, well fitted with Horse and Armes, from thence to march against the Scots.

Clau. 29. E. 1. m. 13.

In the reign of King Edward the 1. the then Lord of this Mannour had a grant from the King to hold a Market in this Town every Thursday, and one Fair every year on the Eve, day, and morrow of St. Botolph (i.e. May 17.) which grant runs in these Words.

Edwardus dei gratia Rex Angliæ, Dom. Hiberniæ & Dux Aquitaniæ Archiepiscopis, Episcopis, Abbatibus, Prioribus, Comitibus, Baronibus Justiciariis, prepositis Ministris & omnibus Ballivis & fidelibus suis salutem. Sciatis nos de gratia nostra speciali concessisse & hac carta nostra confirmasse dilecto & fideli nostro Edmundo de Passelye & Margarete Uxori ejus, quod ipsi & heredes ipsius Margarete imperpetuum habeant unum mercatum singulis septimanis per diem Jovis apud manerium suum de Empingham in Com. Rotel. & unam feriam ibidem singulis annis pro tres dies duraturam, videlicet in Vigilia, in die, & in Crastino Sancti Botulphi, nisi mercatum illud & feria illa sint ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum & vicinarum feriarum. Quare volumus & firmiter precipimus pro nobis & heredibus nostris quod predicti Edmundo & Margareta & Heredes ipsius Margarete imperpetuum habeant predicta mercatum & feriam apud Manerium suum predictum cum omnibus libertatibus & Liberis consuetudinibus ad hujusmodi mercatum & feriam pertinentibus, Nisi mercatum illud & feria illa sint ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum & vicinarum feriarum sicut predictum est. Hiis testibus venerabilibus patribus W. Archiepiscopo Eborum Angliæ primate, ff. Elien. Episcopo Chancellario nostro, ff. Winton Episcopo, Johannis de Britanum Comite Richemund. Edomaro de Valentia Comite Pembroch, Hugone de Curtenei. Willielmo Martyn & aliis. Dat per manum nostram apud Ebor. 25. die Novembris Anno regni nostri 12.

Penes Tho. Markworth Bironet.

Per breve de privato sigillo.

The above mention'd Margaret Wife of Edmundo de Passelye was, no doubt, the same who was Daughter and Heir to Thomas de Normanville. She had it seems two Husbands, this Edmundo de

Passelye

Passeley, and *William de Basings*, but she left no issue male, but only by *Basings*, whose Son *Thomas de Basings* was heir to his Mother, and enjoyed this Lordship by Inheritance.

The beforementioned *Sir Thomas de Normanville* had a Grant to have Divine Service Celebrated in his own private Chappel here at **Empingham**, which Grant appears, by computation, to be made by *Benedict de Gravesend* Bishop of **Lincoln**, and bears date at **Liding-ton** in the 14th. year of his Consecration, which was *An. Dom. 1272.* (56 H. 3.) Which Deed being too prolix to be here incerted, I shall only take notice of the chief heads, from whence we may observe the nature of such Grants and Licenses for Oratories in private Chappels, and with what restrictions they were made in antient times, viz.

1. The said Grant was made with the consent and assent of the Incumbent of the Parish Church.

2. It was for the use only of the said *Sir Thomas de Normanville*, his heirs, their Wives, and their own Family, without the ringing of a Bell, *cum sola panis & aqua benedictione.*

3. That the Chaplain of the said Chappel before ever he entred upon his Office, should make his corporal Oath to the Incumbent of the Parish Church, faithfully and truly to deliver over to the said Incumbent, his Vicar or Substitute, all such oblations, and obventions, and other profits that should come to his hands, within three days after he received the same. And also

4. That the said Chaplain should make like Oath not to administer the Eucharist, or any other Sacrament, in the said Chappel, to the prejudice of the Mother Church, or any other Neighbouring Church, but that he should send all such as desire the same, as well those of the said Knights Family as others (except such as lie at the point of Death) to their Mother Church to receive.

5. That the said Knight, his heirs and Family, during their residence at **Empingham**, shall be bound to resort to the Mother Church to hear Divine Offices there, in like manner as the other Parishioners, on certain days, viz. Christmas, Purification, Ashwednesday, Palm Sunday, Easter Eve, Easter-day, Ascen-

tion day, Whitsunday, Allsaints, the Assumption of the Virgin, and the Dedication of that Church, unless hindered by sickness or ill weather.

6. If the said Knight or his heirs be absent from his Mannour for the space of one month, Divine Offices to cease in the said Chappel during absence.

7. That the said Offices be celebrated in the said Chappel sooner than in the Mother Church.

8. That the said Knight his heirs and successors, for themselves and their Wives, shall be sworn to observe the said Injunctions, so long as they enjoy the said Chappel, renouncing all Royal prohibitions and priviledges to the contrary; and that they and their Chaplain shall alwaies submit themselves to the Jurisdiction of the Bishop of **Lincoln**, the Dean and Chapter of **Lincoln**, and the Prebend of **Empingham**, for the time being.

It was found by Office in the 2d. year of *Queen Elizabeth*, that *Francis Mackworth, Esq;* held certain Lands in **Empingham** and **Wardwick**, of the yearly value of 43 l. of the Lord *Barkley*, by Knights service; and that *George Mackworth* is his Son and heir. Which *George* was the Great Grandfather of *Sir Thomas Mackworth* Baronet, the present Lord of this Mannour, which he enjoys by Inheritance from the beforementioned *Ralph de Normanville*, who died 43 H. 3. This estate having now continued in the same blood, though not in the same name, above four hundred years.

See more in **Normanton**, *infra*.

I find in the account of *Thomas Astwood* the Kings Receiver in these parts 3 E. 6. That the said accountant, among other Rents and profits, accounted for 2 s. 8 d. of the Rent of two Acres of Land called *Coblers Croft*, vel le *Chappel Croft*, lying in the south field of **Empingham** given to the Maintenance of one Lamp in the Parish Church there, then in the Tenure of *Ann Mackworth* Widdow. Also for 2 s. of Rent issuing out of the Tenement of *Francis Mackworth, Esq;* scituate in the middle of the said Town, then in the tenure of *Thomas Exston*, which said tenement in times past by custom used to find at the second Mass in the morning on Christmas-

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Augm. 3 E. 6.

masday one Torch and five pence in Mo-
ny, which by consent of the Parishioners

there, was afterward changed into the
abovesaid Rent of 2 s.

Of the Church.

King Henry I. gave and confirm'd
the Tithes of this Town, and cer-
tain Lands here, to the Church of
Lincoln, as appears by the following
Charter.

Mon. Ang. p. 3.
f. 254.

Henricus Rex Anglorum, S. Comiti
& Hugoni Vice-comiti & omnibus Baro-
nibus suis de **Northampton** circa Salu-
tem: Sciatis me concessisse Ecclesie Sancte
Marie **Lincolie** & Roberto Episcopo
Lincol. Ecclesiam de **Pempingeham** &
illas tres Bovatas Terra quas Gisleber-
tus de Gant crevit in Elemosina, & vo-
lo & precipio ut honorifice teneat cum om-

nibus consuetudinibus, & si Comes de Au-
co discessit eum tunc precipio ut Abb.
Camer. cito reassumat. Teste Osberto Vice-
comite apud **Bzantonam**.

In the 29. H. 3. The then Archdeacon
of **Northampton** presented to the Vi-
carage of the Prebend of **Empingham**. Reg. Linc.

The Prebend of **Empingham**, be-
longing to the Church of **Lincoln** is
valued in the Kings Books at 25 l.
6 s. 5 d.

And the Vicarage at 7 l. 14 s. 8 d.

The Patron of which last is the Pre-
bendary for the time being.

EXTON.

Eton is situate in the hundred
of **Alstoe**. At the time of the
Norman Conquest, Earl **Wallef**
held in **Exentune** two Carucates of
Land as it was rated to the Tax or
Geld. The arable Land was twelve
Carucates. Afterwards at **Domesday**
Survey, Countess **Judith** held here three
Carucates and thirty seven Villains, ha-
ving eight Carucates, and two Mills of
the value of thirteen shillings. A Mea-
dow of six Furlongs in length. A
Wood (*Silva per loca pastilis*) of five
furlongs in length and five in breadth.
All which was valued in the time of
King **Edward** at 8 l. but at the time of
that Survey at 10 l.

Domesday tit.
Rotel.

From which **Wallef** (or **Waltheaf**)
Earl of **Northumberland** and **Hun-**
tington, and **Judith** his Countess, this
Estate descended by **Matilda** their Daugh-
ter and heiress, to **David** King of the
Scots, who was also in right of his wife
Earl of **Huntingdon**. From whose is-
sue it went again by a female, to the
Noble family of **Brus**, and from that
name to the **Greens**, from them to the
Culpeppers, and from them to the
Haringtons, by whose heir General it
was in the last age sold: Having con-

tinued in the same Line and blood for
near 600. years; as may appear more
particularly by the following story, and
Pedigree. Bar. Eng.
Vol. 379.

Yet we must observe that part
of this Town formerly belong'd to
the **Bassets** of **Drayton** in **Staff-**
ordshire For I find that when **Ralf Basset**
engaging on the part of the Rebellious
Barons against King H. 3. was kill'd
at the Battel of **Evesham**, Anno Domini
1265. Yet that King soon after tend-
ring the Condition of **Margaret** his
Vvife, and at the special instance of
Prince **Edward**, assigned her several
Lands belonging to her Husband, and
among others, **Exton** in **Rutland**,
for her support, during pleasure. The
ancient Arms of these **Bassets** are
still (or very lately) remaining in
a Vvindow, on the South side of this
Church. O. 3 Piles, 8.

In the 9 E. 2. there were three
Lords in this Town; viz. **Bernardus de**
Brus, **Ralf Basset**, and **Jeoffrey de la**
Mare, each of which had here a Mannor.

Vvich said **Bernardus de Brus** was
Grandson to **Bernard de Brus** a young-
er Brother to **Robert de Brus** Earl of
Carrick from whom the Royal Line
of

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of Scotland descends. Of this younger Branch of this most Noble Family descended two Daughters Coheirs, *Joan* and *Agnes*; from *Agnes* descends the Right Worshipful and Eminent Family of the *Cottons*, who by reason of that descent enjoy at this day the fair and antient Lordship of *Connington* in the County of *Huntington*. The other Sister and Coheir, *Joan*, was married to Sir *Nicholas Green*, Kt. and continued in possession of this Mannour; whose only Daughter and heir, *Jane*, became the wife of *Thomas Culpepper*, whose Son and heir Sir *Thomas Culpepper*, Kt. left issue *Catherine* his only Daughter and heir, who took to Husband *John de Harrington* (descended by a younger Branch from the antient Barons of that name, who were Lords of *Haberington* in the County of *Cumberland*) whose Son and heir *Robert Harrington*, died seized of the Mannour of *Exton* with the appurtenances in *Greetham*, *Cottmoze*, *Whitwell*, and *Barnardshill*, 12 Feb. 16 H. 7. after whose death all the said Lands descended to *John Harrington* his Son and heir, at that time thirty years of age, which *John* by his Will dated 13 April 15 H. 8. devised all his Lands and Tenements in *Cottmoze*, and *Greetham* to *Robert* his Younger Son, and died 5 Nov. 15 H. 8. leaving issue *John Harrington* his Son and heir, afterwards Knighted. Which Sir *John* departed this life in the first year of Queen *Mary*, having been High Sheriff of this County the year immediately before his death; after whose decease, It was found by Office in the said first of Queen *Mary*, that Sir *John Harrington* Kt. held the Mannor of *Exton* of the Queen, as of her honour of *Huntington*, by Knights service, and the Rectory of *Exton* of the Queen in Capite, by Knights service.

This Sir *John* left issue Sir *James Harrington* his Son and heir, who by *Lucy* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *William Sidney*, had three Sons, *John*, *Henry* and *James*: Of which *John* the eldest was in the first year of King *James* advanced to the Dignity of a Baron of this Realm, by the title of Lord *Harrington* of *Exton* in Com. *Rutland*. To

whose tuition the said King *James* committed his only Daughter, the Princess *Elizabeth*, till her Marriage with *Frederick* Count Palatin of the *Rhine*; after which attending her into that Country, he died in his return homewards at *Wormes* in *Germany*, on the 24 day of *August*, 1613. leaving issue by *Anne* his Wife (Daughter and sole heir to *Robert Kelway*, Esq.) *John* Lord *Harrington* his only Son surviving; who dying without issue at *Kew* in Com. *Surry*, 27 of February following,

This Lordship was soon after sold to Sir *Baptist Hicks*, Kt. in pursuance of a settlement made by Indenture dated, 18 Feb. 11 Jac. between the last mentioned *John* Lord *Harrington*, and the Lady *Anne Harrington* Widdow, his Mother, whereby the Mannours of *Exton*, *Porn*, *Pickworth* alias *Pickworth-Stockinge*, *Stretton*, *Cottelmoze*, *Ridlington*, *Clipham*, *Barrow*, *Lee* alias *Leighfield*, *Market-Dwerton*, *North-Luffenham*, *Whitwell*, and *Greetham*, all in this County, were settled on the said *John* Lord *Harrington* in tail, the Remainder to the said Lady *Anne* her heirs and Assignes for ever, in trust and confidence, that she, her heirs and Assignes or some of them, shall within convenient time after his decease, sell such or so much of the said Mannours as shall be thought meet for the payment of all and every the Debts of the said Lord, and the Lord his Father: The overplus of the said Estate to remain after the decease of the Lady *Anne* above-said, to his two sisters and Coheirs, *Lucy* then wife of *Edward* Earl of *Bedford*, and *Frances* who became the wife of Sir *Robert Chichester* of *Raleigh* in Com. *Devon*, Knight of the Bath, viz. Two third parts of the said overplus Estate to the Lady *Bedford*, and one third part to the Lady *Chichester*.

This Estate being thus purchased as above-said, it descended to the Right Honourable *Baptist* Lord Viscount *Cambden* Lord Lieutenant of this County late deceased, this Town having been the usual seat of his Residence, when in these parts.

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parte Fantham.

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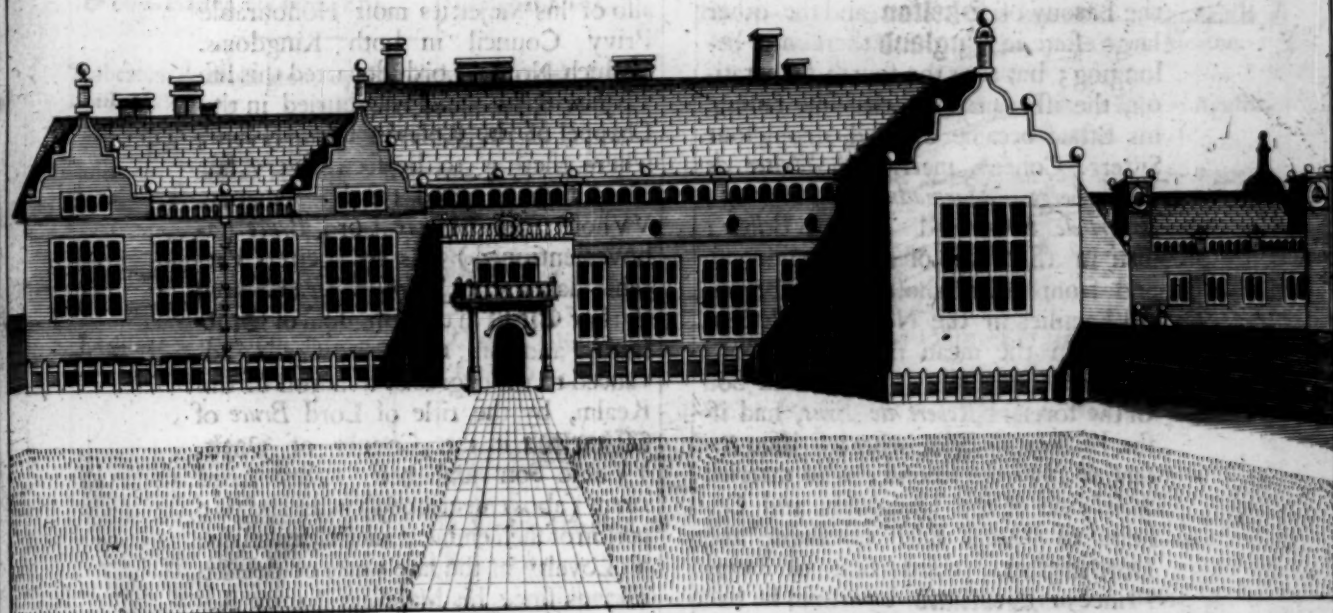
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Bar. Eng.
2 Vol. 416.

Esq. 14. Jac.
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Esq. 14. Jac.
p. 2. n. 116.

Exton House, on the South Side.



The said Lady *Lucy* Countess of *Bedford* having in her life time sold all that vast Estate in this County, which formerly belonged to the *Harringtons*, died without Issue, Anno 1628. But her memory still survives, highly Celebrated in Dr. *Donnes* Poems.

Inscrip. Tum. uli apud Exton.

Her sister *Francis* abovesaid left issue by her said Husband Sir *Robert Chichester*, only one Daughter, *Anne*, who being married to *Thomas* Lord *Bruce*, left issue the Right Honourable and truly Noble *Robert* now Earl of *Aylesbury*, who by descent from his said Grandmother, enjoys at this day, the fair Lordship of *Duston* in Com. *Leicestersh* with its members of *Newbold*, *Marfeld*, and *Marston*, formerly belonging to the *Harringtons*.

Of which most noble and antient Family of *Brus*, I must observe that they have been doubly related to this Family

of *Harrington*; the *Harringtons* at first deriving this Estate from the *Bruces*; and being at last determined in the male line, the sole heir of that Family is, as above exprest, the aforesaid Noble, Lord the Earl of *Aylesbury*. Whose Common Ancester was *Robert de Brus*, a Norman Knight, who came into England in the Conquerors Army, and was of such eminency that he obtained to himself, through the favour of his Prince, and his own merits, no less then forty three Lordships in *Yorkshire* and those parts; together with the Territory of *Anandale* in *Scotland*. The principal seat of whose Barony was at *Skelton* Castle in the Northriding of *Yorkshire*. This *Robert* founded and Endowed a Monastery of Canons Regular of St. *Augustin*, at *Sigburne* in *Cleaveland*, in the said County of *York*, and departed this life in the 6. *Steph.* (1141.) leaving issue

Monast. Ang.
2 Voll. 148.
Bar. Eng.
1 Vol. 447.

issue by *Agnes* his wife, Daughter of *Sir Fule Paynel*, two Sons, *Adam* and *Robert*. To his younger Son *Robert* he gave in his life time *Anandale*, to hold of the King of *Scotland*; but he afterwards complaining to his Father, that he had no wheat bread in *Scotland*, he further gave him the Lordship of *Pert*, and Territory of *Pertness* in the Bishoprick of *Durham*, to hold of himself and his heirs, Lords of *Skelton*. The Elder Brother *Adam de Brus* succeeded his Father in the Barony of *Skelton*, and the other large estate in *England* thereunto belonging; but after the fourth Generation, the issue male of that line failing, his Estate became divided among four Sisters, Coheirs, married to *Walter de Fauconberge*, *Marmaduke de Thweng*, *Robert de Ros*, and *John de Bellew*, men in that age of great eminency, and from whom most of the principal Families in the North are descended. In the mean time *Robert Lord Brus of Anandale*, the second Son of the foresaid *Robert de Brus*, had issue *William de Brus*, who left issue *Robert de Brus* the second, who married *Isabel* one of the Daughters and Coheirs of *David* Earl of *Angos* and *Huntington*, third Son of *Henry* Prince of *Scotland*, by whom he had issue *Robert* the third; and *Bernard de Brus*: from which *Bernard* did descend the *Bruces* of *Exton*, of whom I have already spoken. But *Robert* the eldest Son (who was called the Noble) married *Martha* Daughter and heir of *Adam* Earl of *Carrick*, and had issue *Robert le Brus* Earl of *Carrick*, who in right of his Grandmother *Isabel* became King of *Scotland*, *An. Dom.* 1306. From this original did descend the Noble *Edward Bruce* of *Kinlosse* in the Kingdom of *Scotland*: A per-

son of great esteem and merit in the Court of King *James* the sixth; and *Bar. Eng.* highly instrumental in the peaceable Union of the two Kingdoms, by reason of his Intelligence with *Sir Robert Cecil* principal Secretary of Estate, in the Queens time: In consideration of which, and other good services, the said King coming to the Crown of *England*, made him Master of the Roles, in *London*, and by Letters Patents dated 8 July 2 Jac. advanced him to the title of Lord *Bruce* of *Kinlosse*, aforesaid. He was also of his Majesties most Honourable Privy Council in both Kingdoms. VVhich Noble Lord departed this life 14 Jan. 8 Jac. and was buried in the Chappel of the Roles in *Chancery-lane*, where there is to be seen a very fair Monument Erected to his memory. VVhose Son *Thomas Lord Bruce* (abovementioned) was by Letters Patents dated 21 Junii 9 Jac. Created Earl of *Elgin* in the Kingdom of *Scotland*; and on 1 Aug. 17 Car. 1. advanced to the degree of a Baron of this Realm, by the title of Lord *Bruce* of *Charlton* in the County of *York*. VVhose Son and heir *Robert Lord Bruce* (abovementioned) was and is a person of such eminent merits, as well for his Loyalty in the late times of defection, as since his Majesties happy Restauration, that for a further addition of honour, he was by Letters Patents dated 18 March, 16 Car. 2. advanced to the Titles of Lord *Bruce* of *Skelton*, in the County of *York*, Viscount *Bruce* of *Amphill*, in the County of *Bedford*, and Earl of *Aylesbury* in the County of *Buckingham*. He is also hereditary High Steward of the Honour of *Amphill*, Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Bedford*, and one of the Lords of his Majesties most honourable Privy Council. *Id. p. 467.*

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It hath been observed by those who have strictly examin'd all the Colateral Branches of this Family, that from the above-mentioned Sir James Harrington and Lucy his Wife, have been, and are descended or nearly allyed to their descendants, no less than eight Dukes, three Marquisses, seventy Earls, nine Counts, twenty seven Vicounts, and thirty six Barons, among which number sixteen Knights of the Garter.

Ex ip[s]is Auto-
graphis,

And here, before I leave this noble Family of the Harringtons, ought to be remembred the Exemplary Charity of the pious Ann Lady Harrington, Wife to the first Lord John above mention'd, which Lady surviving her said Husband, did in the year 1616 (14 Jacobi) purchase the Grant of a Rent charge of one hundred pounds per An. to be issuing out of the Mannour of Cottesmore in this County, to the said Lady Ann her heirs and assigns for ever, payable at the four usual quarter days, in the South Porch of the parish Church of Okeham, by even and equal portions, which Grant being made in due form of Law, and dated the 20th. of June was inroll'd in Chancery 1 Nov. in the said 14th. year of King James. Afterwards by indenture bearing date 1 Non. 14. Jac. the said Lady limitted the said Rent charge to Sir Edward Noel, Sir Edward Harrington, Sir William Bulstrode, Sir Francis Bodenham, Thomas Mackworth, John Wingsfield, and Richard Cony Esquires, and to their heirs and assigns for ever, in trust and confidence for the following pious uses, viz.

To the Vicar of Exton and Overseers of the poor there, to be by them distributed to the Poor of the said Parish for ever, the yearly sum of ———— 25

Also to the said Vicar and Overseers, to be employed by them on a poor man (to be named by the Lord of the Mannor of Exton for the time being) for the keeping of the Tomb in Exton Church called Mr. Kelways Tomb, and other such Tombs as now are or hereafter shall be erected in the said Church, the yearly Sum of ———— 1 2

To the Vicar of the Parish Church of Burly and the Overseers of the Poor there to be by them distributed to the poor of the said Parish, the yearly Sum of ———— 1 10

To the Vicar of the Parish Church of Okeham and the Overseers of the poor there, to be by them distributed to the poor of the said Parish, being Tenants or under Tenants of any of the Lands, parcel of the Mannour of the said Lady Harrington in Okeham, the yearly Sum of ———— 1 32

To the Vicar of the Parish Church of Hambleton and the Overseers of the poor there, to be by them distributed to the poor, being Tenants of any of the Lands of the said Lady Harringtons Mannour in Hambleton, the yearly Sum of ———— 1 10

To the Parson of Cottesmore and Barrow and the Overseers of the Poor there, to be by them distributed to the poor of the said Parish the yearly Sum of ———— 1 16

To the Parson of the Parish Church of Market-Dyton, and Overseers of the poor there, to be by them distributed to the poor of the said Parish, the yearly sum of ———— 1 5

The said payments to be made quarterly to the respective persons as above appointed, by the aforesaid Trustees within ten days after the receipt of the said Rent-charge of 100 l. per An.

Also the said Lady Harrington, about the same time built a convenient place for a small Library in the Parish Church of Okeham, and furnisht it with about two hundred Latin and Greek Folio's, consisting chiefly of Fathers, Councils, School-men, and Divines, for the use of the Vicar of that Church, and accommodation of the Neighbouring Clergy; most of which Books have been curiously bound, the Covers adorn'd with several gilded Frets (commonly call'd the Harringtons Knots) and

Ex Dono Dominae Annæ Harringtonæ Baronesse.

Printed and pasted in the Title Pages.

Of

Of the Church.

Ex collec.
Wingf. Bodenham m. f.
40.

IN the 11th. year of E. 1. Bernard de Brus Son of Bernard de Brus of Exton, gave and released to God, and the Church of St. Andrew at Northampton, and the Monks there, the Church of Exton with the tithes of his Lands, and all other liberties to the said Church belonging within or without the said town of Exton, and all the Tithes of Hay, which in his Park of Bernardsbyll, or else where they have been accustomed to receive: Also the Pasture of eight Cattle, which they had of the Almes of Isabel his Grand-mother; granting further that the said Monks, and their men, in the said Town of Exton, shall be free and quit of all suit of Court, or other secular demands and exactions whatsoever; which Deed bears date, Wednesday next before the feast of St. Mark the Evangelist, Anno Domini, 1283.

1b. f. 42.

Afterwards controversie arising between the Prior of St. Andrews at Northampton, and the Vicar of Exton, a composition was made, and certified by John D'Alderby then Bishop of Lincoln, the Contents of which was, that the Vicar of the Church of Exton shall have in the name of a perpetual Vicarage, all the Alterage of the said Church, and the Tithes of Bernardsbyll, with a compitent house, the said Vicar paying to the said Monastery two Marks, and also paying the Synodals, *Monachi vero procurabunt hospitium Archidiaconi*, (i. e. The said Monks were to entertain the Archdeacon in his Visitation, with Provision and Lod-

ging, which entertainment was in process of time changed to a certain sum of Money, and call'd *Procurations*) This Deed of Certificate bears date at Lydington, 2. Kall. Mar. Anno Domini 1310.

In the 4th. year of Oliver Sutton Bishop of Lincoln, (which was in the 11th. of E. 1.) the abovemention'd Bernard de Brus did present Robert de Tisbo his Chaplain to the Free-Chappel built in curia sua apud Exton.

In the 18th. year of John D'Alderby Bishop of Lincoln (which was 10. E. 2.) Bernard de Brus, Son of the foresaid Bernard, and at that time Lord of Exton, did present to the Chantry of the Chappel of the Mannour of Exton.

Of which Chantry I find the following account made and certified in the 2. E. 6. by Richard Cicyl, Esquire, and Thomas Hays, Commissioners appointed to enquire of, and survey all Colledges Chauntries, Free-Chappels, Guilds &c. in this County, viz.

Memorandum, Of late there was in Exton one stipendary or Chantry of the yearly Value of 6 l. going out of the possessions of the late Monastery of St. Andrews of Northampton, which Sir John Harrington Kt. alledgeth to have purchased of three years past, of the late famous of Memory K. Henry the eighth

Certif. pro Com.
Rutl. in Offic.
Augm. 2 E. 6.

The Vicarage of Exton is valued in the Kings Books at, 8 l. 7 s. 8 d.

The present Patron is the Right Honorable Edward Earl of Gainsborough, Lord of the Mannour.

Monuments in the Church at Exton.

About the Verge of an Antient Alablafter Tomb, in the Chancel.

† Vous qe par ycy passer ez
Pur l' alms Nichol. Grene priez,
Son Corps gist de louth cette pere,
Par la Voie qe taunt est fere,
En la cyrkauentise an mozt luy pizt,
Merrey luy fate Jelu Crist, Amen.

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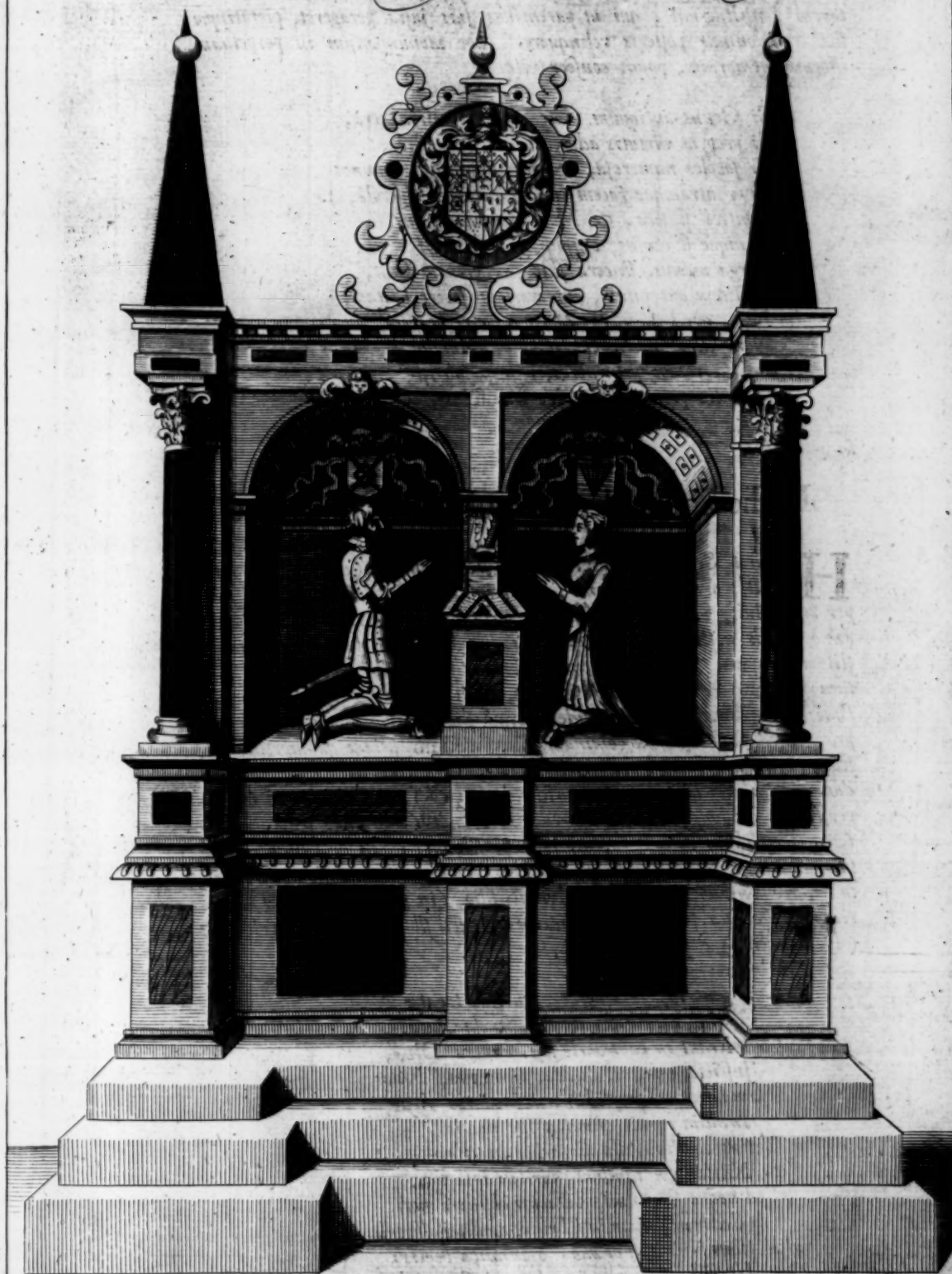
On an Antient Monument supporting the Cumbent Statues
of an Armed Knight and his Lady, in the body of
the Church towards the South side.

ORate pro animabus Johannis Harington & Alicie uxoris
ejus, qui quidem Johannes obiit v. die mensis Novemb.
Anno Dom. M. CCCC. XXIII. & predicta Alicia obiit
die mensis M. CCCC. quorum animabus propitius
sit Deus, Amen.

In the North Wall of the Chancel, is erected a Curious
Monument with this Inscription.

Hic situs est Jacobus Harington de **Cyton** miles, cum uxore
Lucia, Gulielmi Sidnei militis filia, ex qua liberos suscepit 18.
quorum matrimonium contraxerunt tres filii, filie octo, maximus natu
filius Johannes miles heredem duxit Roberti Kelway, Curie War-
dorum, & Liberationum supervisoris. secundus Henricus miles uxorem
duxit unam ex heredibus Francisci Agar a Consiliis hibernicis. Ter-
tius Jacobus armiger uxorem habuit unam ex heredibus Roberti Sap-
cots armigeri. Filia natu maxima Elizabetha nupsit Edwardo Mon-
tigue militi. Secunda Francisca, Gulielmo Lee militi. Tertia
Margareta, Don Benito de Sisneros Hispano de familia Ducum de
Fantalgo. Quarta Catherina Edovardo Dimmock militi. Quinta
Maria Edovardo Wingfelde militi; Sexta Mabilia Andrae Noeli
militi.

Tumulus Jacobi Harington militis & Lucia uxoris ejus.



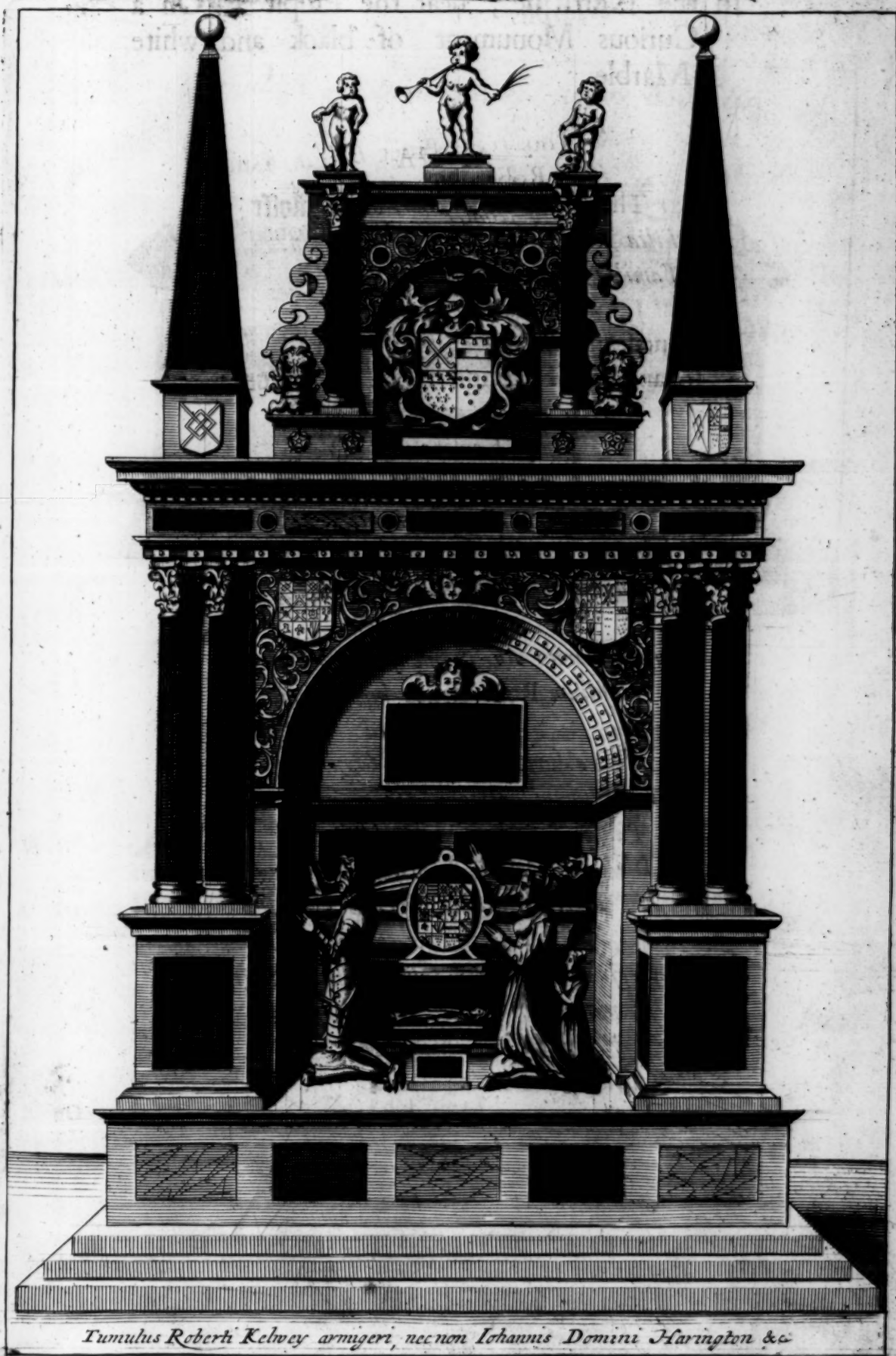
militi. Septima Sara maritum habuit Dominum Hastings. Comitis Huntingdoniæ Hæredem, Octava Theodosia Dominum Dudley de Castro Dudley. Idem Jacobus & Lucia, quinquaginta annos in matrimonio vixerunt. Illa prior diem obiit annum agens septuagesimum secundum. Ille jam octogenarius fato functus est, anno assertionis humane 1591. Regina Eliz. 34. Uterque filium Jacobum solum Executorem constituerunt, qui ut parentibus suis iusta perageret, pietatisque suæ testimonium posteris relinqueret, hoc monumentum in perpetuam illorum memoriam, posuit consecravique.

*Si Genus antiquum, veteresque per atria cære,
Si propria virtutis adorea Clavus equestris,
Si soboles numerosa, & quinquaginta per annos
Inter utramque faciem cuncta caruisse Querelâ,
Canities si sera, & Mors matura, beatus,
Denique si census, censuq; beator omni
Larga manus, sincera fides, reverentia Cæli,
Fælicem aut vitam, aut mortem fecere beatam.
Nobis & Vitam & Mortem fecere beatam.
Nunc cum fata jubent vixisse, animasq; reposcunt
Sidera, composuit cineres, iussitq; sub isto
Hæredis pietas requiescere Mausoleo,*

In the South Ile, On a Noble Monument.

Hic jacet Sepultus Robertus Keylwey, insignis (dum vixit) inter togatos armiger, Ingenio, Doctrinâ, & virtute clarus, qui semper bene latuit, vixit christiane, & mortuus est in domino 21 Februarii anno salutis nostræ 1580. & ætatis suæ 84. Sobolem reliquit superstitem Annam, solam Hæredem & unicam filiam sibi charissimam, nuptam Johanni Harington de **Epston**, militi, quem pro filio & amico intimè semper dilexit: de qua quidem Annâ dictus Johannes genuit in vita prædicti Roberti prolem geminam, Keylweium filium qui mortuus est, secundo die mensis Decembris An. Dom. 1570. & ætatis suæ 21 hebdomodarum, & hic una cum avo tumulatur; & Luciam filiam ad huc superstitem, cui longam vitam concedat Deus. Ut ergo dicti Johannes & Anna tam charo & pio parenti iusta persolvant, & ut gratissim. animi sui Exemplum Posteris relinquant, Hoc Monumentum construxerunt, illudq; Keylweyo patri, & Keylweyo filio, (in perpetuam eorum memoriam, si sic Deo placuerit) dedicarunt, quod sibi met etiam Sepulchrum (Deo favente) destinant.

*Qui generisq; sui fuerat, gentisq; togata
Gloria, Keylweii funera flenda vides.
Contulerant in eum variè sua munera Diva,
Justitiæ comites, Suada, Minerva, Fides.
Dum latet in Templi Vir non incautus Apylo,
Invidia caruit, crevit at ille magis.
Tutus occulto cressit sic arbor in Ævo
Nititur & tandem, viribus ipsa suis.
Sed neque sic potuit, venienti obistere morti,
(Sed bene) dum in Christo molliter ossa cubent.
Dotibus benè nimum mors ò inimica beatiss;
Horrida sic omnes, ad tua lustra trahis.*



In the North Ile , near the Pulpit ; On a
Curious Monument of black and white
Marble.

ANNA

Uxor Tho. Dom. Bruce Bar. de **Binlosse**

Filia Roberti Chichester Eq. Baln.

Familia illustri in agro Devonien.

Matrem habuit

Franciscam filiam & ex semisse hæred.

Johan. Dom. Harrington Bar. de **Exton.**

ipsa matris Hæres. ex asse.

Fæmina

Pudicitia, tum recti scientia, tum amore

in Conjugem intenso, munitissima.

Nobilissimis moribus, serenitate perpetua,

Ingeniique admirabili elegantia,

Placentissima.

Convixit marito An. iv mens. ix. peperitque

ei filium Rob. Bruce superstitem,

Eo Partu

Cum esset absumpta omnis vis Corporis,

Sanctissimam animam, pia morte,

Paucos post dies, deo reddidit,

Die xx. Martii Anno Ætat. suæ xxii.

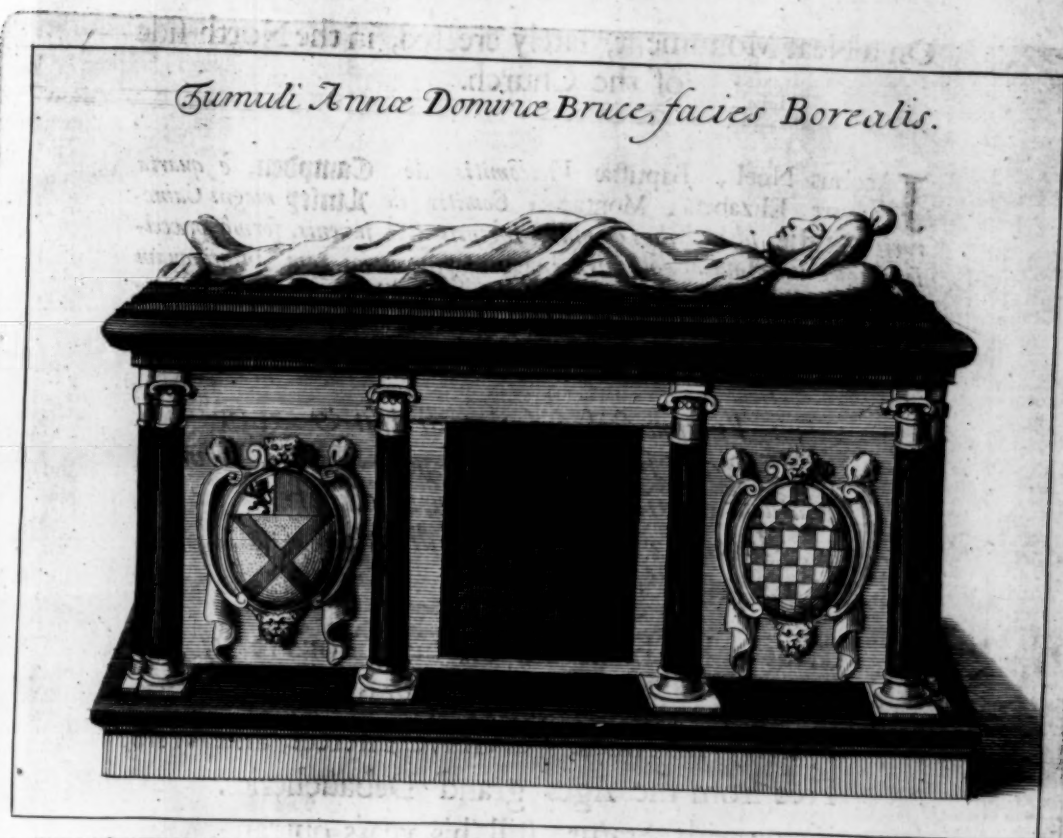
Humanæ Salut. MDCXXVII.

Dilectissima conjugii,

Ob egregias Virtutes & Insignia in se merita,

Monumentum hoc brevemque titulum

faciund. cur. Moer. Mar.



*On the other side of the same Monument
The like in English.*

A NNE, Wife to Thomas Lord Bruce Baron of ~~Knolse~~, Daughter of Sir Robert Chichester Knight of the Bath, of an ancient Family in the County of **Devon**, and of Frances one of the two Daughters and Coheirs of John Lord Harrington Baron of **Cyton**, sole heir to her Mother; A Lady endowed with a natural disposition to Vertue, a true understanding of honour, most noble behaviour, perpetual cheerfulness, most elegant Conversation, and a more than ordinary conjugal affection. She was married *iv.* years and *ix.* months, and left one only child named Robert Bruce. Weakened by that birth she died in Childbirth, the *xx.* day of *March*, in the *xxii.* year of her age, *Anno Domini M. DC. XXVII.* Erected and inscribed to the memory of his most beloved, and most deserving Wife, by *Tho. Lord Bruce.*

On a Neat Monument, lately erected, in the North side
of the Church.

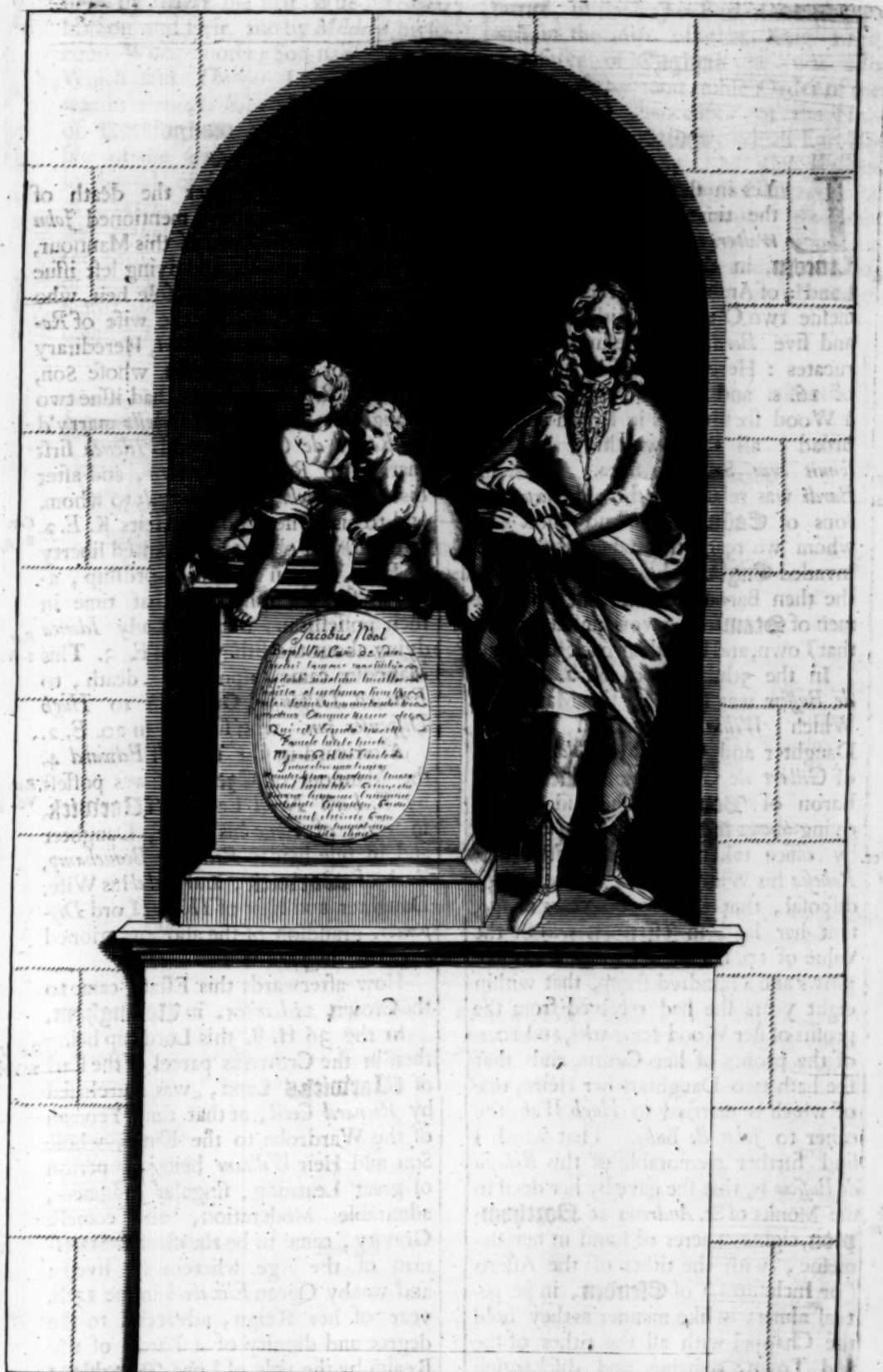
Jacobus Noel, Baptistæ Vicecomitis de **Campden**, è quarta
Uxore Elizabethâ, Montacuti Comitis de **Linsey** magni Came-
rarii **Angliæ**, filiâ, Filius quintus; ingentis spei juvenis, formâ præcel-
lens æque ac Staturâ eminens: insigni supra annos tam animi quam
Corporis cultu, & vigore præditus, obiit Junii 24. 1681. *Ætatis*
suz 18.

*Quem Puerum forsan facies dixisset & ætas,
Fecerat hunc virtus, atque Statura Virum.
Maturus vixit, licet immaturus obivert;
Ingenii vis hoc, mors dedit illud, Opus.*

Great as his birth did all his actions shew,
His very Recreations spoke him so.
Spritely his Meen, yet Grave, discreet, and Wise,
Free from the Ages grand Debaucheries:
Virtue with Stature still his years outran;
He dyed in's Nonage, and yet lived a Man.

*Eodem fato conjunctus Linseius ejusdem Baptistæ & Elizabethæ
Filius primulus, qui obiit anniculus Martii 12. An. Domini, 1656.*

*Item eorundem parentum Filius quartus, cui ob præproperum nimis
fatum defuit Prænomen, 1662.*



E Z E N D E N.

*Domesd. in
Northa. n. 5.*

*But. Sur. of
Stamford. 22.*

*31. H. 2. Rot.
de dominabus
et puellis.*

*M. S. Wing.
Eodenham m.
fo. 44.*

L Yes in the East Hundred. At the time of *Domesday* survey, *Walterius* held of the Bishop of **Lincoln**, in this Town, one Hide of Land; of Arable six Carucates, in demesne two Carucates, with one Servant, and five *Bordarii*, possessing four Carucates: Here was at that time a mill of 16. s. and three acres of meadow, a Wood six furlongs in length and four broad: all then worth 5 l. *Bardi tenuit cum Saca & Soca*. How this *Bardi* was related to the old Saxon Barons of **Castelline**, I know not. Of whom we read, that when the Danes invaded **England** about *An. Dom.* 1016. the then Baron of **Castelline** with the men of **Stamford** gave them *Bartail* near that Town, and beat them back for a time.

In the 5th. year of H. 2. *William de Buffew* was Lord of this Mannour. Which *William* married *Robesia*, Daughter and Coheir of *Baldwin* Son of *Gilbert de Gant* E. of **Lincoln** and Baron of **Bourn**. The said *William* dying about the 31. H. 2. it was found by office taken after his death, that *Robesia* his Widdow was at the Kings disposal, that she was 60. years of age, that her land in **Isenden** was of the value of 10. l. that her stock was three plows and a hundred sheep, that within eight years she had received from the profits of her Wood 10. marks, and 10. s. of the profits of her Courts, and that she hath two Daughters her Heirs, one of which is married to *Hugh Wak*, the other to *John de Bully*. That which I find further memorable of this *Robesia de Buffew* is, that she gave by her deed to the Monks of *St. Andrews* at **Northampton**, eighteen acres of Land in her demesne, with the tithes of the Asserts (or Inclosures) of **Elenden**, in perpetual almes; in like manner as they hold the Chappel with all the tithes of the said Town: quitting and discharging by the same deed the said Monks, and all their men, from all Exactions relating to any harvest works, *ad Col-*

legendas Messes. After the death of which Lady, the above mentioned *John de Bully* became Lord of this Mannour, in right of his wife, and dying left issue *Idonea* his Daughter and sole heir, who about 13. *Job.* became the wife of *Robert de Veteri ponte*, or *Vipont*, Hereditary Sheriff of **Westmerland**, whose Son, another *Robert de Vipont*, had issue two Daughters his Coheirs, *Isabella* marry'd to *Robert de Clifford*, and *Idonea* first marry'd to *Roger de Leiborn*, and after his death to *John Lord Cromwell*; to whom, and to his Wife, and her Heirs K. E. 2. *Car. 2. E. 2^a n. 49.* in the 2. year of his reign granted liberty of Free Warren in this Lordship, among several others at that time in their possession. But this Lady *Idonea* dying about the 8th. year of E. 3. *Bar. Eng. 1. Vol. 395* this Mannour came, upon her death, to *Edward Dispenser*, Grandson to *Hugh Dispenser jun.* who suffer'd in 20. E. 2.

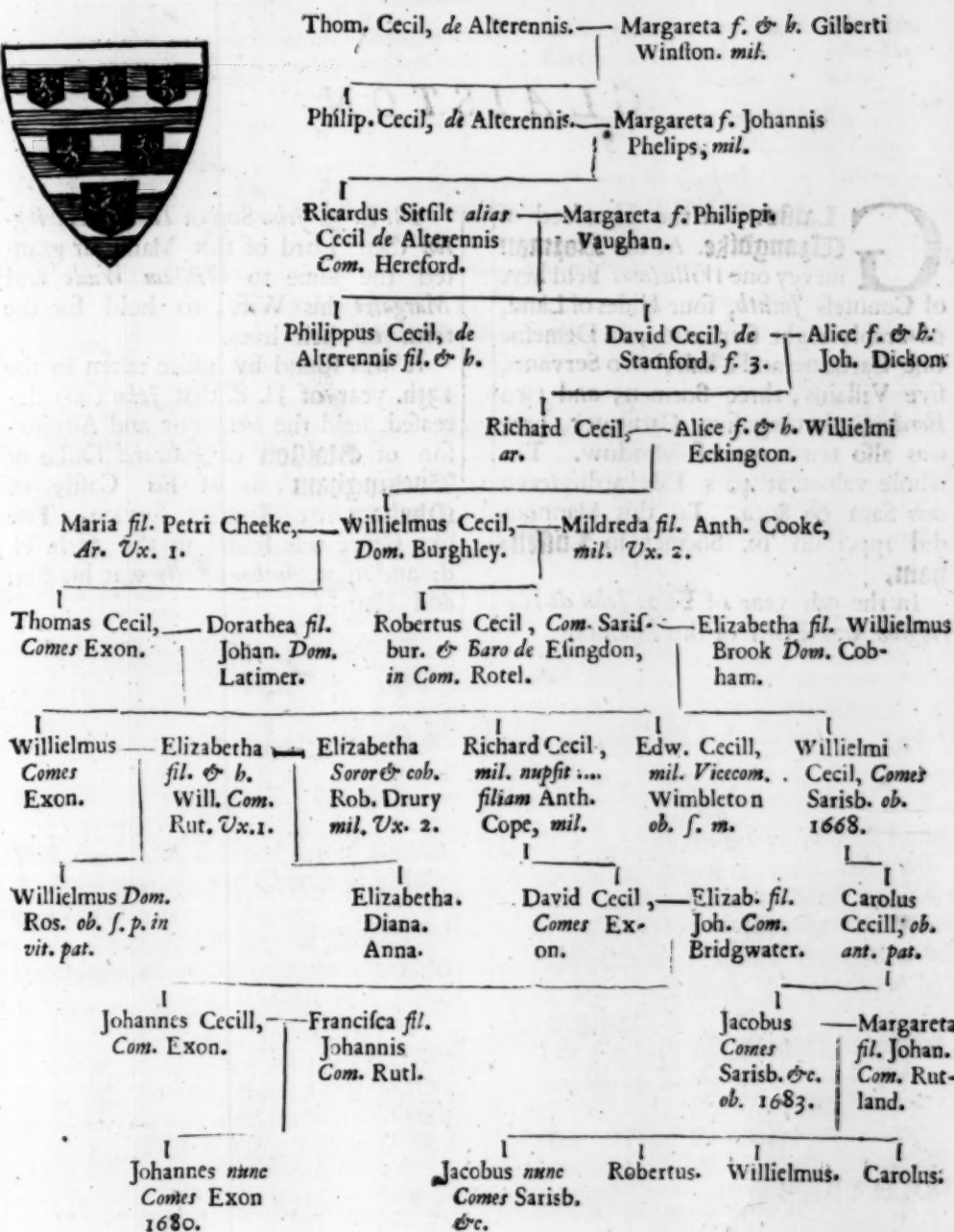
Afterward in the time of *Edward 4.* the Mannour of **Ezenden** was possess'd by *Richard Nevil* Earl of **Warwick**, in right of *Anne* his Wife, Daughter and in fine heir to *Richard Beauchamp*, Earl of **Warwick**, and *Isabel* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Lord Dispencer*, grandson of the abovementioned *Edward Dispenser*. *Bar. Eng. 1. Vol. 307.*

How afterwards this Estate came to the Crown, *vid. infra*, in **Uppingham**.

In the 36 H. 8. this Lordship being then in the Crown as parcel of the Earl of **Warwick's** Land, was purchased by *Richard Cecil*, at that time Yeoman of the Wardrobe to the King; whose Son and Heir *William* being a person of great Learning, singular Judgment, admirable Moderation, and comely Gravity, came to be the cheifest Statesman of the Age wherein he lived: and was by Queen *Elizabeth* in the 13th. year of her Reign, advanced to the degree and dignity of a Baron of this Realm by the title of Lord **Burghley**; and in the 26th *El.* install'd Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter; which *William* Lord **Burghley** departed this

this life *An.* 1598. (40. *El.*) leaving issue by *Mary* his first Wife, *Thomas* his Son and Heir, and by *Mildred* his second Wife, another Son named *Robert*. Which said *Thomas* Lord *Burghley* was in the 41. *El.* constituted Warden of *Rockingham* Forest, and Constable of the Castle there, for life; and in the 3d. of King *James* created Earl of *Ceter*. *Robert* the 2d. Son of the said *William* Lord *Burghley*, being in the 38th. of Queen *Elizabeth* made one of the Queens Principal Secretaries of State, was in the first of King *James* created Lord *Cecil* of *Esingdon* in *Com.*

Hotel, in the 2. *Jac.* Vicount *Cranburne*, in the 3. *Jac.* Earl of *Salisbury*, and in the 6th. of that King Lord Treasurer of *England*; he was also Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter, and Chancellor of the University of *Cambridge*; which Earl *Robert* dying, *An.* 1612. left issue *William* his Son and Heir, whose Heir apparant *Charles* dyed in his Fathers life time, but left issue *James*, who upon the death of his Grandfather *An.* 1668. became Earl of *Salisbury* and Baron of *Esingdon*.



Of the Church.

M. S. Wing.
Bodenham m.

ABout the latter end of the Reign of H. 2. Baldwin Bueloth, who had married Robesta the Widdow of William de Bussey (or Bussey) did with the consent of his Wife and the Heirs of the said William de Bussey, give and grant in perpetual Almes;

to the Monks of St. Andrews of Moxthampton, twelve acres of Land in his Demesnes in Clenden. For which gift, the said Monks undertook to find a Chaplain to reside continually in Clenden, and to supply the Cure of the Chappel there.

GLAISTON.

Domesd. North.
36.

Glaiston, in the Hundred of Wylangdike. At the Norman survey one Willielmus held here of Countess Judith, four Hides of Land; of arable eight Carucates, in Demesne one Carucate and a half, two Servants, five Villains, three Socmen; and two Bordarii, having five Carucates, here was also ten acres of Meadow. The whole valued at 40 s. Edvardus tenuit cum Saca & Soca. To this Mannour did appertain six Socmen in Luffenham.

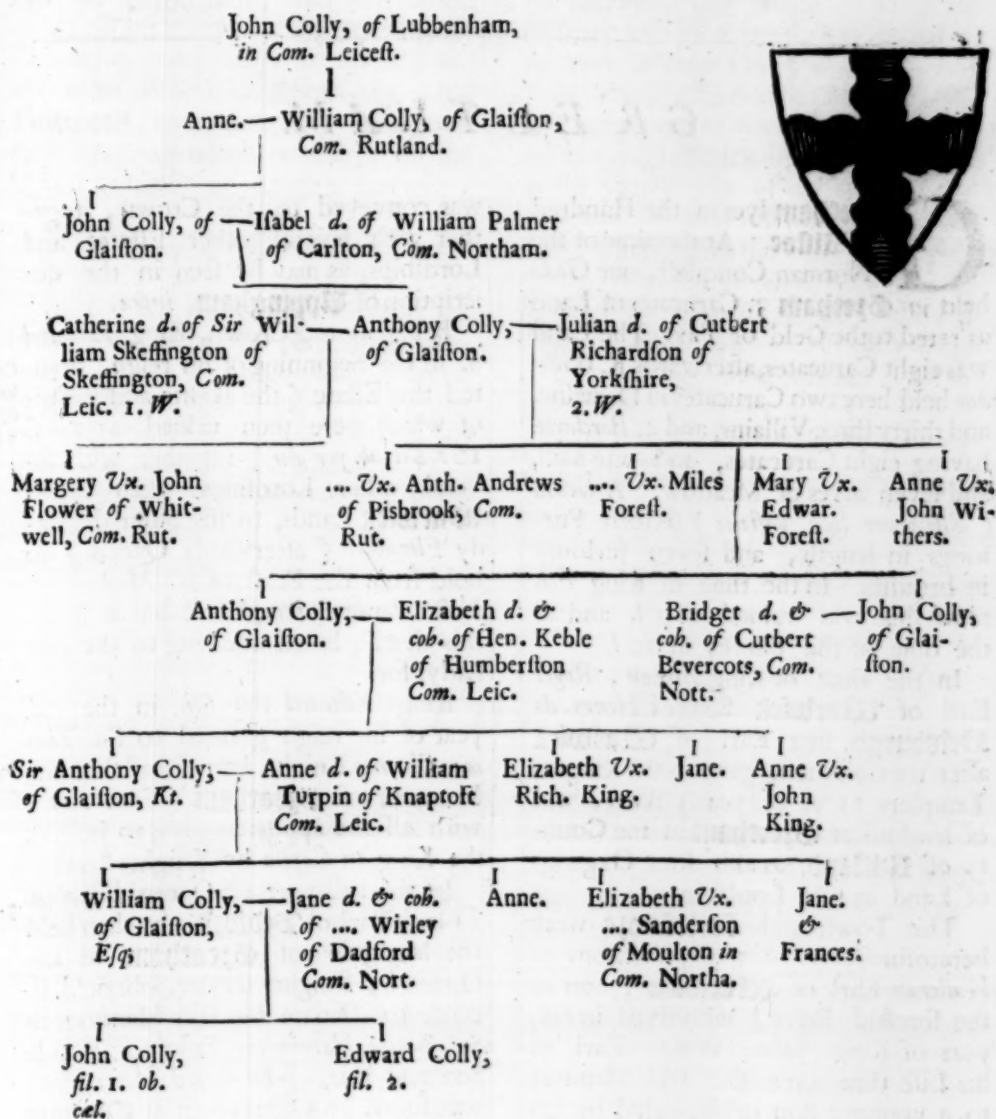
Nom. Vill. in
Stacc.

In the 9th year of E. 2. John de Harrington was Lord of this Mannour.

28. E. 3. John Son of Thomas Harrington then Lord of this Mannour granted the same to William Wade and Margaret his Wife, to hold for the term of their lives.

It was found by office taken in the 13th. year of H. 8. that John Colly deceased, held the Mannour and Advowson of Glaiston of Edward Duke of Buckingham, as of his Castle of Okeham by Knights service. The like Office was found in the 15th. H. 8. and that Anthony Colly was his Son and Heir.

John



Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 10. H. 3. The Prior of **Laund** presented to the Church of **Glat-ſton**, ſo alſo in 21. H. 3.

Comp. Johannis
Doddington,
pro com Rutl.
in Offic. Augm.
3. E. 6.

To which ſaid Priory of **Laund** the Incumbant of the Church of **Glatſton** did pay an Annual penſion of 6 s. 8 d. at the Feaſt of St. **Michael** yearly.

Ex Autogr. pe-
nes Janam An-
drews Viduam.

In the 26. Car. 1 (1640.) Sir **An-thonny Colly** Knight, then Lord of this Mannor, joyned with his Son and Heir apparent, **William Colly** Eſquire, in a

Conveyance of divers parcels of Land in **Glatſton**, together with the Advowſon of the Church there, to **Edward Andrews** of **Biſbroke** in this County, Eſquire: Which Advowſon is ſince conveyed over to **Peterhouſe** in **Cambridge**.

The Rectory of **Glatſton** is valued in the Kings Books at 12 l. 16 s. 9 d.

The preſent Patron is

GREETHAM

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GREETHAM.

Greetham lyes in the Hundred of **Alstoe**. At the time of the Norman Conquest, one **Goda** held in **Greetham** 3. Carucates of Land as rated to the Geld or Tax. The Land was eight Carucates, afterwards **K. William** held here two Carucates in Demesne, and thirty three Villains, and 4. **Bordarii**, having eight Carucates, and one Mill, and seven acres of Meadow. A wood (*Silva per loca pastilis*) sixteen Furlongs in length, and seven furlongs in breadth. In the time of King **Edward** this was valued at 7 l. and at the time of the Survey at 10 l.

Domesday Tit.
Rotel.

Bar. Eng. 1.
Vol. 69.

In the time of King **Steven**, **Roger** Earl of **Warwick** Son of **Henry de Newburgh**, first Earl of **Warwick** after the Conquest, gave to the Knights Templers 11 s. of yearly Rent, out of his Mill at **Greetham** in the County of **Rutland**, as also four Oxgangs of Land in that Lordship.

Bar. Eng. 1.
Vol. 71.

This Town and **Cottesmoze** were heretofore part of the possessions of **Waleran** Earl of **Warwick** (Son of the foresaid **Roger**) who dyed in 6th year of King **John**. Which Earl in his Life time gave the said Mannors to a younger Son of his, call'd by his own name **Waleran**, but he dyed issueless.

Which Estate together with the Earldome of **Warwick** came not long after to **William de Mauduit**, in right of **Alice** his Mother, Daughter of the first abovemention'd **Waleran**.

Bar. Eng. 1.
Vol. 129.

Afterwards it descended among other large Possessions as well in this County as elsewhere, to the Family of the **Beauchamps** Earls also of **Warwick**, till forfeited by **Thomas** one of those Earls, it was by King **Richard 2.** granted with the rest of that Earls Estate in this County to **Thomas Mowbray** then Earl of **Nottingham**, and afterwards advanced to the Title of Duke of **Borfolk**, from which time to the reign of **Hen. 7.** It had the same possessors with **Uppingham**, and by the same means

was conveyed to the Crown, together with several other Estates and Lordships, as may be seen in the description of **Uppingham**, *infra*.

Being in the Crown, King **Edward** 6. in the beginning of his reign, granted this Estate (the Rents and profits of which were then valued at 26 l. 10 s. 4 d. ob. per An.) together with several other Lordships then called **Warwick** Lands, to his Sister the Lady **Elizabeth** (afterwards Queen) to hold from the Feast of St. Michael 38 H. 8. *durante beneplacito*: but it seems this demise lasted not long to the said Lady, for

Comp. pro Com.
Rutland. in
Offic. Augm.
3 E. 6.

King **Edward** the 6th. in the 3d. year of his reign granted to Sir **Thomas Cheyney** Knight, *inter alia*, all that the Mannour of **Greetham** (*Com. Rut.*) with all the appurtenances, to hold of the King in *Capite* by Knights Service.

Pat. 3. E. 6.
p. 7.

In the 3d. year of Queen **Elizabeth** **Francis** Earl of **Bedford**, who then held the Mannour of **Greetham** of the Queen by Knights service, obtain'd licence to alienate the said Mannour to Sir **James Harrington** Knight. Whose Son and heir, **John** Lord **Harrington**, was found by Office taken at **Okeham** 22. Mar. 13 Jac. to dye seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Greetham** which he held in *Capite*, by the 40th. part of a Knights Fee.

3 Eliz. p. 5.

Efc. 14. Jac.
p. 2. n. 116.

I find that King **James** granted his Licence, dated 1 April in the 21. year of his reign, to **Edward** Lord **Noel** to alienate the Mannour of **Greetham** to **George** (then) Marquis of **Buckingham**; whose son and heir the right Noble **George** Duke of **Buckingham** is the present Lord of this Mannour.

Rot. Pat. 21
Jac.

Besides what relates to the Mannour of **Greetham**, it was found by Office taken in 20 El. that **Jane** wife of **Thomas Lynne** was the Daughter and next Heir of **Jane Troughton** deceased, who held two Messuages, two Clofes, of which one is called, *Temple-Barnes* the

Efc. 20. El.

the other *Temple fields*, lying in **Stretton** and **Greatham**, and one Wood called **Thickmoze** in **Greatham**, by Estimation nine acres of Land, and one other Wood in **Greatham** call'd **Fullwood**, containing by Estimation nine acres, all which were held of the Queen in *Capite* by Knights service.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 22. H. 3. The Prior of the Holy Sepulcher at **Warwick** presented to the Vicarage of the Church of **Greatham**: *Quæ consistit in toto alt-ragio, & manso competenti, solvend. di-tis Canonicis unam marcam.*

Antiq. of
Warwic.
p. 364.

When this Church was first given

to the said Priory is uncertain, but at the survey of that House 26 H. 8. the Rectory of this Church was found to be part of their Possessions.

In the 3 E. 6. the Rectory here late belonging to the Priory of S. Se-
Comp. pro Com. Rud. in Office Augm. 3. E. 6.
Warwick suppress'd, was farm'd at the yearly rent of 4 l. 6 s. 8 d.

In the 11. year of King James, John
Est. 14. Jac. p. 2. n. 116.
Lord **Harrington** the elder dyed seiz'd of the Rectory of **Greatham**; which Rectory he held in soccage of the Honour of **Hampton** Court, by Fealty onely.

The Vicarage of **Greatham** is valued in the Kings Books at, 5 l. 3 s. 8 d.

The present Patron is the Duke of **Buckingham**.

GUNTHORPE.

Gunthorp is now onely the name of certain Grounds in the Hundred of **Martinsley**, and Parish of **Okeham**. Yet here was formerly a Village, tho at present not the least sign of a Town remaining more than one poor Shepherds Cottage. And at *Domesday* survey it was included as one of the five *Berews* or Hamlets belonging to **Okeham** *Cherchescib*, the other four being **Langham**, **Barlythorpe**, **Egleton**, and **Brook**.

Nom. Vill.

In the Reign of E. 2. William de Hocot held **Gunthorpe** of Margaret Countesse of **Cornwall**, Widow of

Pierce de Gaveston, who at that time posselt the Lordships of **Okeham**, **Egilton**, **Langham**, and divers other Revenues in this County.

Of late years this Estate was posselt by Sir **Hugh Duce** Knight of the Bath, 4th. Son of Sir **Robert Duce** Knight and Baronet, Lord Mayor of **London** in the year 1630. Which said Sir **Hugh Duce** dyed posselt hereof, about the beginning of the year 1663. (being then high Sheriffe of this County) from whom it is derived to the present Owner, Mr. **John Flavell** of **London** Citizen and Merchant Taylor.

H AMBLETON.

*Domesd. in Tit.
Rotcl.*

IN the Hundred of **Partmar**. Of this Estate, thus *Domesday* book. In **Hameldune** *Cherchesoch*, with the seven *Berews* or Hamlets thereunto belonging, Queen *Eddid* held four Carucates of Land, as rated to the Tax or *Geld*. The arable Land was sixteen Carucates. Here at the time of the survey the King had five Carucates in Demefne, and one hundred and forty Villains, and thirteen *Bordarii*, having forty Carucates. Here were at that time three Priests and three Churches, to which did belong one *Bovate* and eight acres of Land. Here was one Mill of 21 s. 4 d. and forty acres of Meadow. A Wood (*Silva minuta fertilis per loca*) three miles in length, and one mile in breadth. In the time of King *Edward* this estate was valued at 52 l. This whole Mannour with the seven *Berews* is computed, in that Record, to be three miles and eight furlongs in length, and two miles and eight furlongs in breadth.

Leuca Anglicana 12. Quarantenas continebat.

M. S. Winf. Bod. mil f. 97.

Nam Vill.

Bar. Eng. 2. Vol. 58.

Bar. Eng. 2. Vol. 59. and 1. Vol. 185.

Bar. Eng. 1. Vol. 559.

After this **Hambleton** belonged to the Lord *Umfrevil*, for I find that in the 11th. year of E. 3. *Gilbert* Son of *Robert de Umfrevil* Earl of *Angos*, released to *Giles de Badlesmere* all his right in this Lordship: But it seems the Father of the said *Giles* had an Estate here long before, for in the 9. E. 2. it is recorded that *Bartholmew* Lord *Badlesmere*, an eminent Baron in those days, obtain'd a Charter of Freewarren in all his Demefne Lands, in particular in this Mannour, and **Market Dytton** in this County. After whose death this Estate descended to Sir *Giles de Badlesmere* his Son and Heir, who dying without issue in 12. E. 3. **Hambleton** was assigned to *William de Bchun* Earl of **Northampton**, in right of *Elizabeth* his Wife one of the Sisters and Coheirs of the said *Giles*.

In the 9th. year of H. 4. *John* Lord *Lovel* died seized of the Mannour of **Hambleton**, which he had in right of

Maude his Wife, Daughter and Heir to *Robert de Holland*, a Baron of this Realm.

It was found by Office taken in the 7 H. 4. that *Edward* Son and Heir of *Edmund* late Duke of **York** (which *Edward* was the first Earl of **Butland**) held of the King among other Lands, one Cottage, one hundred and fifty three acres of Land, eleven acres of meadow in **Hambleton magna** in the County of **Butland**, and forty two acres of Land, and two acres of meadow in **Byhall** in the same County, called **Bembokes** Lands, as members appurtenant to the Castle and Mannour of **Foderinghay**; all which he held by the service of one Knights Fee.

H. 7. H. 4. ex parte Rem. Thef. in Scacc.

19 H. 7. It was found by Office that *Henry Ferrers* held the Mannour of **Hambleton** with its appurtenances, of the King by Fealty onely, and that *Edward Ferrers* was his Son and Heir.

Esc. 19 H. 7.

It was found by Office taken at **Retton** in this County, on the 7. Nov. 15 H. 8. Before *John Mollesworth* Escheator, that *Richard Flowr* Esquire dyed seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of little **Hambleton**, and of two hundred acres of Land, twenty acres of meadow with the appurtenances in **Hambleton** afore-said; Also of two messuages, eighty acres of Land, twenty acres of meadow in **Great Hambleton**: All which he held of *Edward Ferrars* Knight, as of his Mannour of **Great Hambleton**, by Fealty onely; and that *Roger Flower* was his Son and next Heir.

Esc. 15. H. 8. n. 23.

In the 43. year of Queen *Elizabeth*, *Henry Ferrers* obtain'd the Queens Licence dated 1. *Julii*, to alienate his Mannour of **Hambleton** in the County of **Butland**, to Sir *John Harrington* Knight.

Rot. Pat. 43. Eliz. pars. 15.

It was found by Office taken at **Okeham** in this County on the 22. *March*, 13. *Jacobi*, before *Edward Harrington* Knight, *William Bulstrode* Knight, *John Reading*, Gen. Feodaries, that *John* Lord *Harrington* the elder dyed seized (*inter*

Esc. 14. Jac. P. 2. n. 116.

ter alia) of the Mannour of **Hambleton** *alias Hambleston cum pertinentiis* in **Eby**, **Weston**, **Hanton**, **Normanton**, **Empingham**, **Eglinton**, which he held in *Capite* by Knights Service, but by what part of a Knights Fee the Jury knew not.

The present Lord of this Mannour is the right Noble George Duke of Buckingham.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 15 *H. 3.* the Advowson of the Church of **Hamilton** was adjudged to belong to the Bishop of **Lincoln**, together with the Chappel of **Ban-deton**, and a pension of 20 *s.* from the Church of *St. Peters* in **Stamford**.

ib.

In the 24. *H. 3.* *Robert Grosted* then Bishop of **Lincoln**, with the consent of the Rector of the Church of **Hamilton**, granted to *John Talbothe* of **Fincham**, Son of *Geoffry Talbothe* and to *Martina* his Wife, and to their heirs for ever, Licence to have a Chappel

in their House at Little **Hameldon**, *sine fontibus & Campana, sibi & liberæ Familiæ suæ, per proprium Capellanum suum in eadem Capella, sumptibus propriis & oneribus.* Which Deed bears date at **Ledington** in the 15th. year of the said Bishops Consecration.

Reg. Linc.

In the 2. *E. 1.* *Robert de Bannebar* was presented by the Chapter of **Lincoln** to the Vicarage of the Church of **Hamilton**, and instituted to the same at **Bukeden** by *Richard Gravesend* then Bishop of **Lincoln**, 13. *Kalend. Aug.* in the 16th. year of his consecration: Which living was found to consist, at that time, not only in the Vicaral Tythes in **Hamilton**, and **Braunston**, but also in certain profits arising from **Normanton**, **Undon**, **Martinsthorpe**, **Weston**, and **Hanton**.

The Vicarage of the Church of **Hameldon** is valued in the Kings Books at, 10 *l.* 17 *s.* 0 *d.*

The present Patron is

HARDWICK.

L Yes in the East hundred, and was formerly a Village, though now the Name only of certain Grounds adjoining to **Empingham**: With which Town it was no doubt surveyed, as a Member of the same, at the time of the Norman Survey, in regard I find no mention of

Hardwick in *Domesday* Book.

Nom Vil.

In the 9. *E. 2.* **Hardwick** had the same Lord with **Empingham**, viz. *William de Basings*, from whom both the said Estates are derived by marriage to the *Mackworths*, who now enjoy the same.

HORN.

Horn, formerly a Town and Parish, now only the Name of certain Grounds and a *Sine-Cure*, lyes in the East hundred.

Domesd. Northam. n. 3.

At the time of *Domesday* Survey, the Bishop of **Durham** held two hides of the King in **Horne**, of arable four Carucates, in Demesne one Carucate, one Sockman, a Priest, twelve Villains, seven *Bordarii*, and one Servant,

having four Carucates; here were at that time three Mills of 20 *s.* and a Wood of one furlong and twelve Perches in length, and seventeen Perches broad; all valued at 4 *l.* *Langfer tenuit de Rege E. cum Saca & Soca.*

At the same time *Grimbaldus* held of the Countess *Judith*, one Hide in **Horne**, of arable two Carucates, in Demesne one Carucate, two Servants,

Id. ib. n. 56.

& *duæ ancillæ*, nine Villains, and four *Bordarii*, having two Cardates; here was also in this tenure a mill of 4 s. 8 d. all formerly valued at 20 s. but at that time at 30 s.

Nom. Vill. in Scacc.

In the 9th. year of E. 2. *Allanus de Franckton*, and *William de Basings* were Lords of *Bozne*.

Esc. 1. Ma.

It was found by Office taken in the first year of Queen *Mary*, that Sir *John Harington* Knight, held two parts of the Mannour of *Bozne*, and divers other Lands in *Bozne* of the Queen in Capite, by Knights service, together with several other Estates in this County, in the said Office mention'd. And that *James Harington* is his Son and Heir. In which honourable Family of the *Haringtons* this Mannor of *Bozn* continued till in the Reign of King *James*, the Sisters and Coheirs of *John* the last Lord *Harington* of *Exton*, conveyed the same to Sir *Baptist Hicks*, whose Daughter and Coheir *Julian*, being

married to *Edward Lord Noel*, brought this Estate into that honourable Family, where it remains at this day.

Of the ADVOWSON.

H *Opnfeld*, olim *Ecclesia*, modo *devastata*, is valued in the Kings books at 1 l. 6 s. 8 d.

To which Church, in the 19 H. 3. *Reg. Linc.* Sir *John de Hamby* Knight, presented *William de Dembleby* his Clerk.

In the 33 E. 1. (1305.) *Richard* *Ibid.* Son of *Richard de Seyton* presented to the Church of *Bozne* *Roger Bovile* of *Seyton*; and *Alanus de Franckton* presented *William de Hostoft* to the same Church by an other title, which it seems was not valid, for the said *Richard* recovered the Presentation, and had his Clerk admitted.

The Patron of the Sine-Cure is the Right honourable *Edward Earl of Gainsborough*.

INTHORPE.

I S a small Hamlet in the East Hundred, and in the Parish of *Tinwell*.

In the 9 E. 2. the Abbot of *Pe-* *No. Vill. in*
terborough was Lord of *Tinwell* *Scacc.*
and *Ingethorpe*.

KELTHORP.

I N the Hundred of *Wangdike*, and Parish of *Ketton*.

Rot. Pat. 36.
H. 8. pars. 6.

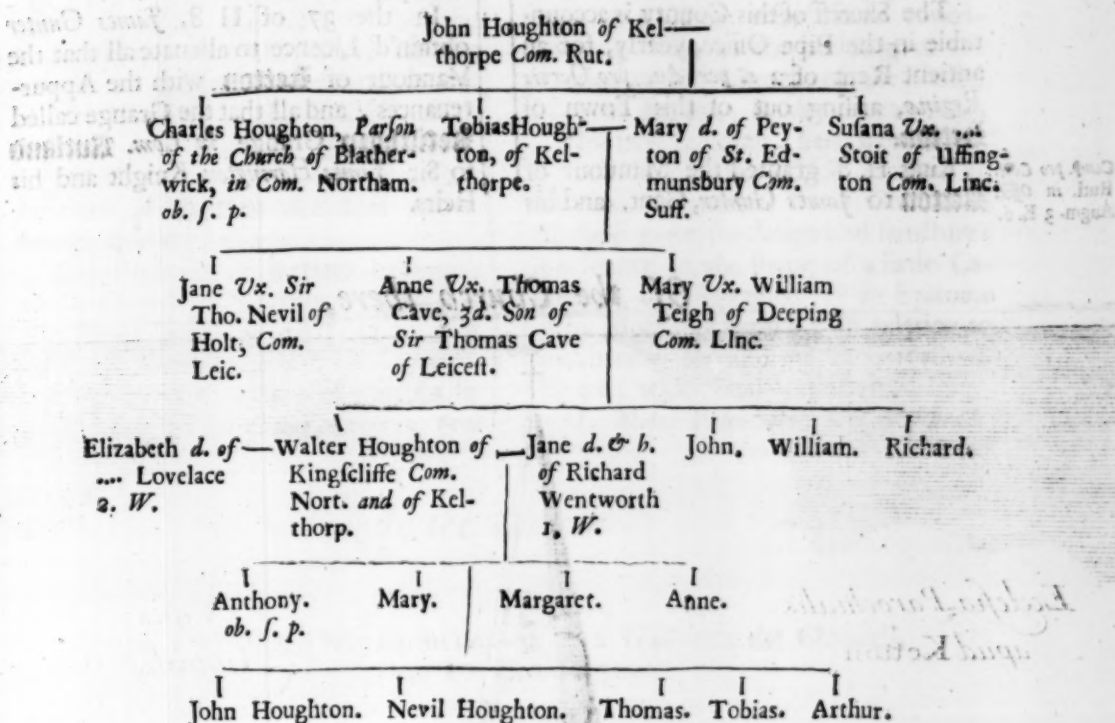
Kelthorp did heretofore belong to the Collegiate Church of the Blessed Trinity of *Cattelhal* in the County of *Lincoln*: after the dissolution of which House King H. 8. by his Letters patents dated at *Westminster* 13. Mar.

in the 36. year of his reign, granted this Estate (*inter alia*) to *Charles Brandon Duke of Suffolk*.

In the 5th. of *Eliz.* *Francis Coleby* obtain'd Licence to alienate the Mannor of *Kelthorp* in Com. *Rotel* to *John Houghton*, which License bears date 30. Apr. in the said 5. *Eliz.*

Pat. 5. El.
pars. 8.

John



KETTON.

THis Town lyes in the East hundred: And was at the time of the Conquerors Survey held by the King. Here were seven Hides, of arable Land thirteen Carucates, in Demesne two Carucates, three Servants, twelve Sockmen, twenty four Villains, and five Bordarii, with a Priest, having eleven Carucates: Here was also one Mill of 6 s. and 8 d. and forty acres of Meadow, and a Wood containing sixteen Acres. To this Mannour at that time belong'd **Tirobet**, both which Towns were then valued at 10 l. but formerly in the time of the Confeſſor at 100 s. only,

In the 2 H. 2. **Richard de Humet**, being then Constable of **Normandy**, in consideration of his services, obtain'd from that King a grant of the Lordship of **Stamford** in Com. Linc. with all its appurtenances (both of the

Castle and Borough) excepting the services of the Abbot of **Peterborough**, and of **William Lanvalet**: He had also by that Kings Grant, at the same time, **Ketene** in this County, and divers other Mannours elsewhere. All which Estates together with the said Office of Constable of **Normandy**, the said King confirm'd to his Son **William de Humet**, after the Death of the said **Richard**.

This **Richard de Humet** was Sheriff or Custos of this County from the 10 of H. 2. to the 26 year of his reign, being the first that I have met with, in that Office for this County.

In the 9 E. 2. **Ralf de Greneham** was Lord of this Mannour. Nom. Vill. in Scacc.

In the 18 E. 2. **Thomas** Son of the said **Ralf** had Livery of a certain Mannour in **Ketton** which the said **Ralf** deceased did hold of **John Lestrangle**, late within Rot. pipe.

Domesd. North. n. 1.

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within age, and in the Kings Custody, by the service of the 4th. part of a Knights Fee.

The Sheriff of this County is accountable in the Pipe Office, yearly, for an antient Rent of 2 s. per An. pro Ocreis Regine, arising out of this Town of **Ketton**.

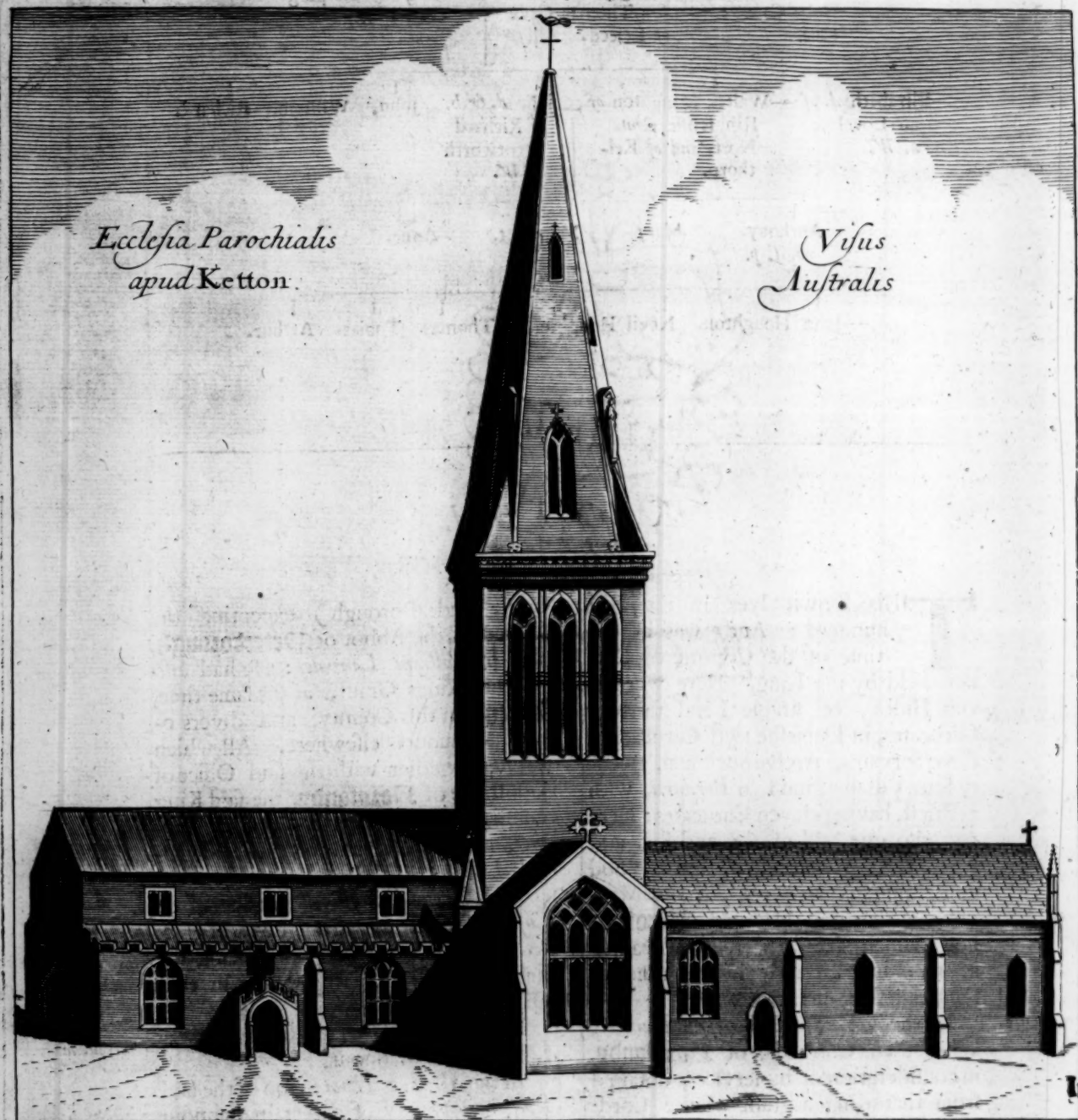
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Augm. 3 E. 6.

King H. 8. granted the Mannour of **Ketton** to **James Gunter**, Gent. and his

Heirs reserving for a yearly Rent, or tenth, out of the same the sum of 11 s. 1 d. payable at *Michaelmas*.

In the 37 of H 8. **James Gunter** obtain'd Licence to alienate all that the 7. H. 8. p. 6. Mannour of **Ketton** with the Appurtenances, and all that the Grange called **Ketilthorp** Grange in Com. **Butland** to Sir **James Harington** Knight and his Heirs.

Of the Church there.



Reg. Lin.

IN the time of *Oliver Sutton*, who, was consecrated Bishop of *Lincoln*, 7 E. 1. it was ordain'd by the said Bishop, that the Vicar of the Church of *Retton* should find fit and proper Ministers in the said Church of *Retton*, and Chapel of *Cykehouete*, for which he should recover of the Prebendary of *Retton* the sum of 20 Marks sterling, yearly.

The Prebend of *Retton* belonging to the Church of *Lincoln*, is valued in the Kings Books at 29 l. 10. s. 2 d. And the Vicarage at 8 l.

Reg. Lin.

Hugh de Wells Bishop of *Lincoln*, by his Deed dated the 5. Aug. in the 23. year

of his Consecration, which was 16. H. 3. granted a Release of 20 days Penance to all those who should contribute any thing to the building or reparation of the Church of the Blessed *Mary* of *Retton*, at that time ruinous.

This new building, here mentioned, is no doubt that which remains at this day, the neatest Parish Church in all these parts, for design and structure; it is form'd in the shape of a little Cathedral, as if intended for an Epitome of its Mother *Lincoln*; In relation to which may be apply'd the words of *Horace*, with small Variation,

O, *Matre Pulchriori, filia Pulchra!*

In the Church

On a handsome Monument erected in a Wall near the Chancell, having the Date, 1594.

Conditur hic, natu, natura, Nomine, Clarus:
Quem meritis Virtus triplo vestivit honore;
Middlestone tuum non est ignobile Stemma;
Nec Whitwelle tuum; Digbeyus adequat utrumque.
Sic Ferdinando Caldecote moriendo revixit:
Cui bis sex nati sunt, cuilibet ecce Sororem.

On the same Monument, *Caldecote* and *Digby* impail'd

In the East Window of the Chancell. Fretty az. Semy of *Fours de Lis*: Quarter'd and impail'd diversly, in several Coats.

L ANGHAM.

IN the hundred of *Okeham-Soak*; and had always, till the last Age, the same Owner with *Okeham*: And in the Book of *Domesday* Survey it is included in *Okeham Cherchesoch*, as one of the five Berews or Hamlets thereunto belonging.

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In the 28. year of E. 1. *Edmund* Earl of *Cornwall*, Son of *Richard* Earl of *Cornwall*, and *Senchia* his Wife (of whom more in *Okeham*) dyed sei-

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ed of the Castle in *Okeham*, with the Mannours of *Egelton*, and *Langham*, in the County of *Rutland*, and likewise of the Sheriffalty of the said County, without issue. After whose Death through the mediation of the Peers in Parliament, held at *Lincoln* 29 E. 1. the King was pleased to allow to *Margaret* his Widow 500 l. per An. for her support, and for the making good thereof, he assigned the Castle

stle and Mannor of **Okeham** in **Rutland**, with the hundreds of **Partinelly**, **Alnestow** and **Easthundred**; the Hamlet of **Egilton**, part of the Mannour of **Langham**, in the same County; and 14 *l.* 16 *s.* 4 *d.* yearly Rent, issuing out of the Court-Leets, and Sheriffs ayde in **Ketton**, **Wreston**, **Okeham**, **Pamelton**, and divers other Towns in that County: With several other Lordships, Lands, and Rents elsewhere. Which **Margaret** married for her second Husband **Piers de Gaveston**: And surviving him, **Hugo de Audely** for her third.

In the 7. *H.* 5. it was found by Office that **William Bourchier** Chivalier, and **Anne** his Wife, Daughter and heir of **Thomas** late Duke of **Gloucester**, held of the King in *Capite* fifty five Messuages, fifty five yard Land, fifty one Cottages, sixty five acres, three Roodes and a half of Meadow, forty two acres one Rood and a half of Pasture, 7 *s.* and one pound of Pepper of free Rent in **Langham** in the County of **Noteland**, as parcels and members of the Mannour of **Okeham**, by the Service of one third part of a Knights Fee.

Ex parte Rem.
Thef. H. 7.
H. 5.

This Sir **William Bourchier** Knight, was Nephew and Heir to **Bartholmew** Lord **Bourchier**, he was the Son of **William Bourchier** younger Brother of the said Lord, and **Alianore** daughter and Heir of **John de Louvain**; he was much in the favour of King *H.* 5. from whom, in consideration of his eminent services both in this Realm and in foreign parts, he obtain'd a Grant of the whole County of **Exe** in **Normandy**. He

married **Anne** Daughter of **Thomas** of **Woodstock** Duke of **Gloucester**, Widow of **Edmund E.** of **Stafford**, and dyed in the 8th. year of *H.* 5. Leaving *id.* 129. issue **Henry** his Son and Heir, who in 13 *H.* 6. had summons to Parliament by the title of Earl of **Exe**, and was afterwards advanced to the Dignity of Earl of **Essex**; **Thomas** Bishop of **Ely**, and in 32 *H.* 6. Archbishop of **Canterbury**; **William** Lord **Fitzwarine**; and **John** Lord **Berners**; with one Daughter, **Anne**, who married **John** **Moubray** Duke of **Norfolk**.

In the 5. year of King *E.* 6. it was found by Inquisition taken at **Upping** *Efc. s. E. 6.* **ham** in this County, on the 25. of *Septem.* after the Death of **Gregory** Lord **Cromwell**, that the said Lord **Cromwell** dyed seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Langham**: which, with **Okeham** and other Lands in the Inquisition mentioned, he held of the King in *Capite* by Knights service; and that **Henry** Lord **Cromwell** was his Son and Heir. Which **Henry** had issue **Edward** Lord **Cromwell**, and Sir **Gregory Cromwell** Knight. In whose time, it seems, this Mannour of **Langham** was first separated from that of **Okeham**, and settled in marriage upon his 2d. Son, Sir **Gregory Cromwell**. For I find that Queen **Elizabeth** on the 2. *Sept.* in the 42. year of her reign, granted her License to the said Sir **Gregory Cromwell** and **Frances** his Wife, to alienate the Mannour of **Langham** in *Com.* **Rutland**, to Sir **Andrew Noel** Knight. From which Sir **Andrew** is descended the Right honourable **Edward** Earl of **Salisbury** the present Lord of this Mannour.

Rot. Pat. 42.
El. pars. 17.

In the Church.

About the Verge of an Antient Gravestone in the North Building.

† O Bate pro anima Willielmi Byby de Langham qui obiit xi. die Decembris Anno Dom. M. CCC. LXXXIX.

About

About the Verge of an Alabaster Tombstone on the
left hand going into the Chancel

✠ **O**f youre charyte pray for they **Solls** of John Clerke
Jone and Anys hys wyvys the whiche John decessyd
the iii day of February in the yere of owre Lord God
M. CCCC. XXXII. of whose **Solls** Jesu have marcy, Amen.

Armes in the Windows.

o. a Maunch g. *Hastings* E. of *Pembroke*.
o. 3 Cheveronels. g. *Clare* E. of *Clare* and *Gloucester*.
Az. 3. Ducal Crowns, o. *Kings* of the East *Angles*.
G. a Fels between 6 crosse Crosetts, o. *Beauchamp* E. of *Warwick*.

L E T G H. L T F E I L D.

Formerly a Town and Mannor,
now only a Lodge, in the Forrest
which, no doubt, was named
the Forrest of *Lyfild* from this Town.
Of this Town or Mannour I find no
mention in *Domesday Book*.

Nom. Vill.
in Scac.

In the 9. E. 2. *Theobald de Menyle*
(or rather *Nezyle*) was Lord of the
Mannour of *Lepe*.

From whom this Estate, together
with the Office of Chief-Forrester of the
Forrest of *Rutland*, was derived to
the *Chiseldines*, as I have formerly
made mention.

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In the Reign of *Edward 4. William*
Lord Hastings his great Favourite,
and a faithful adherer to the house of
York, had a Grant from the said King of
the Mannor of *Lygh* or *Leyfeld*, and
Office of Chief Forrester in *Rutland*.
He had also a grant of the Stewardship
of *Okeham*, and Constablewick of
the Castle there, for life, by *Anne*
Duchess of *Buckingham*, who held
the same in *Dower*, 1. E. 4. which
Lord Hastings was afterward murder'd
by the Command of *Richard Duke of*
Gloucester in the beginning of the short
reign of *Edward 5.* whose Lands being
confiscate, during the time of *R. 3.*
they were by *H. 7.* in the first year

Id. 586.

of his reign, restored to his Son and
Heir *Edward Lord Hastings*, whose
Son *George Lord Hastings* was in the
21. year of *H. 8.* advanced to the title
of Earl of *Dunington*.

In which Family this Estate conti-
nued till the reign of *Queen Elizabeth*: 24. *El. p. 21*
For I find, that in the 24th. year of that
Queen, she granted her Pardon to *Sir*
James Harrington Knight for purchasing
to himself of *Henry* then Earl of *Dun-*
ington without Licence of alienation,
the Mannour of *Lee* in the County of
Rutland, the same being held *in Capite*.

This Estate being thus in the *Harring-*
tons, *John Lord Harrington* the Younger,
by Indenture dated 18. Feb. 11. Jac. settled *Est. 14. Jan*
his Mannour of *Lee*, alias *Leighfeld*, *p. 2. n. 1171*
among diverse other Mannours and
Lands in this County, in Trust, to
be sold after his Death, for the payment
of his, and his Fathers Debts. Which
Lord soon after departing this life, this
Estate was accordingly sold to *Sir*
Edward Noel Knight and Baronet, and
a Fine was past of the same in the Term
of *S. Michael 12. Jac.* wherein the said
Sir Edward Noel was demandant and
Edward Earl of Bedford and *Lucy*
his Wife, and *Anne Lady Harrington* *Rot. Fin. M.*
Widdow, and others, were Deforceants. 12. Jac.

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Of the Forrest of **RUTLAND**, commonly
call'd **LIFEILD**.

THe first Original of this Forrest is uncertain; but several Grounds parcel of it, were afforrested in the Reign of King John, as appears by the following Record.

Peramb. 29:
E. 1. M. 15.

PErambulatio facta in Com. Rote-land coram Rogero le Braban-
zun & Sociis suis die Lune in Crasti-
no Sancti Nicholai. Anno Regni Regis
Edwardi 28. per Sacramentum Johan-
nis de Hotot, Roberti ad Aulam, Wil-
lielmi de **Coletthorp**, Richardi Tayl-
lard, Richardi de Bellafago, Willielmi
de Sancto Licio, Richardi de Middle-
ton, Roberti de Bellafago, Walteri
de **Sculthorp**, Richardi de **Emping-**
ham, Reginaldi de **Seyton**, Roberti de
Casterton, Henrici le Tanner de **Ok-**
ham, Johannis Basslet, Roberti de Ca-
stre, Richardi ad Aulam, Johannis de
Braunston, & Roberti de **Sculthorp**
qui dicunt super Sacramentum suum de
cooperto Foreste quod tam diu extitit in
Foresta quod nesciunt a quo tempore, &
dicunt quod omnes ville & terre extra
metas & bundas subscriptas versus le
Stubbedeston & versus **Staunford**,
preter quandam placeam que vocatur
Whichele, vid. de **Braunceston** &
alias versus **Forestam**, & de **Upping-**
ham, usque in le **Redgate** & sic sequen-
do le **Redgate** usque in le **Wodegate**,
& sic usque ad **Lidenton** & per medium
Lidenton & de inde usque in aquam de
Licele afforest. fuerunt tempore Regis
Johannis. In cuius rei testimonium huic
scripto sigilla nostra apposuimus. Dat
apud **Okeham** die & Anno supra-
dictis.

*The Bounds and Limits of Lifeild
and Beaumont Forrest, ac-
cording to a Survey late in the
Possession of the Right Honour-
able Baptist Lord Viscount
Cambridgen, deceased, viz.*

BEginning at **Flitteresh** Corner in
the Field of **Okeham**, it goes
westward, taking in all **Braun-**
ston high-meadow, the **Wisp**, and
Witcot sail, and so proceeds, taking in
Bittlewell sail, and **Cockly** sale, and so
to **Steezwood**, and then taking in
Linford Bridge, it takes in **Belton**
and **Wardly** Towns, proceeds to
Beaumont, sale and **Preston Under-**
Woods, and so about to **Long bridge**,
by **Caldecot**, taking in **Caldecot** and
Snelston Fields, and so up to **Lid-**
dington, taking in all **Uppingham**
Brand, and the East Field, and so tak-
ing in all **Ayston** Common feilds it,
proceeds by **Bidlington** to **Brook**,
and then up to **Brook** Mill, and so to
Flitteresh where the Circuit or Peram-
bulation began. Containing within the
said limits the following Towns, viz.
Brook, **Braunston**, **Belton**, **Ward-**
ley, the Mannour of **Leigh**, **Bidling-**
ton, **Uppingham**, **Ayston**, **Stoke**,
Lidington, **Snelston** and **Calde-**
cot.

In the 15 E. 2. John Hekelut, who
married Alice Daughter and coheir of
Theobald de Nevill, gave to the King
40 s. for the releif of the said Alice, for
the **Walswick** of the Custody of the
Kings Forreitt of **Rutland**, which the
late King **Edw. 1.** granted to the said
Tho-

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parte Rem. The-
saur.

Theobald and his heirs, rendring yearly to the Exchequer the same Rent which Peter de Nevil, Father of the said Theobald, formerly paid for the Custody of the same.

King Ric. 2. in the 6th. year of his reign gave his Licence to William de Boronghe to grant to Edward Calingrugg, Chevalier, the Baliwick of the Custody of the said Forrest.

In the 8th. year of H. 6. it was found that Robert Chisfulden Esquire, and Ann his Wife, daughter and heir of William de Burge, and Margaret his Wife, De-junct, held of the King, the Baliwick of the keeping the Kings Forrest of Roteland, by the service of paying in to the Exchequer 40 s. yearly at the Feast of St. Michael in Lieu of all services.

Of which Ann Daughter and heir of William de Burge, and Wife of Robert Chisfulden, it was found by inquisition taken at Okeham on the 23. day of April. 23 H. 6. that the said Anne dyed seised in her Demean as of Fee of the Mannour of Lye, and of the Custody of the Forrest of Rutland, with Wyndfallin wode, Dere fallin wode, Cablicis (i. e. all decayed small wood) Woodsilver, Heggynsilver, Attachiments of the Forresters, with the issues and profits of the Swannimots, and Chiminage, as also the power of making and removing all Forresters of the said Forrest at her Will; and that the said Forrest is held of the King in Capite, the profits of which said Forrest was then valued at seventeen Marks, over and above all Reprifes.

Of this Family of the Chisfuldines, see more in Staunton.

But I find that not long after, viz. in the reign of King Edward 4th. that King granted to his great Favourite and faithful adherant, William Lord Hastings, the Mannour of Lygh or Leyfield, with the office of chief Forrester in Rutland, which Lord being murdered, and his Estate confiscated during the reign of R. 3. it was by King H. 7. in the first year of his Reign restored to his Son and heir Edward Lord Hastings.

It was found by Office taken at Okeham 22 Martii, 13 Jacobi, before Edward Harrington Knight; William Bulstrode Knight; and John Reading Gent. Feodaries of this County of Rutland, that John Lord Harrington the Elder, (who departed this life at ~~weimes~~ beyond the Seas, on the 24 August 11. Jac.) dyed seised in this Demean as of Fee (inter alia) of the Mannour of Lee alias Leighfield with the Office of Custos of the Forrest of Rutland and Bidlington Park, all which he held in Capite.

Not long after whose Death, this Estate, and the Office of Seneschal and Bayliff of the Forrest of Roteland and Keeper of Bidlington Park, was sold and conveyed to Sir Edward Noel Knight and Baronet, and a Fine was past of the same in Michaelmas Term 12 Jac. between the said Edward Noel Demandant, and Edward Earl of Bedford and Lucy his Wife, and Anne Lady Harrington Widow, and others deforceants.

LUFFENHAM, North, and South.

The two Luffenhams lye in the hundred of ~~Wan-~~gedike, and were possibly, heretofore but one Town; for I find no distinction in Domesday Survey, where it is said, that the King held Luffenham and Sculetopp. There was at that time accounted here seven hides and one yard land, of arable fourteen Carucates, twelve Sockmen, and sixteen Bordarii,

with a Priest, having twelve Carucates, there were also two Mills of fourty pence rent, and ten Acres of Meadow. All which in the time of King Edward was valued at 30 s. but at the Survey at 40 s. *Homines operant opera Regis que prepositus jussit; has terras tenuit Regina Edith, modo tenet Hugo de Porth ad firmam de rege.* There was also at that time belonging to the Kings Mannour of Berchedone, in Luffenham four hides

hides, ten Carucates of arable Land, and sixteen acres of Meadow.

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Maud the Empress bestowed this Mannour among several others, one *William Beauchamp* of *Cinley*, who had been Steward to her Father *H. I.* and her faithful adherent in her Wars against King *Steven*. From which *Beauchamp* descended the famous Earls of *Warwick* of that name.

Camb. Brit.
Rutl.

In the 14 E. 3. *Thomas Beauchamp* E. of *Warwick* held the Mannour of South *Luffenham* and *Barodou* with other Lands in this County, by the service of being the Kings Chamberlain in the Exchequer.

Esc. 14 Jac. p.
2. n. 117.

Of later times the *Harringtons* had a Mannour in North-*Luffenham*. For I find that *John Lord Harrington* the younger by Indenture dated 18. Feb. 11. Jac. Settled his Mannour of North-*Luffenham*, among other Mannours and Lands in this County, in Trust, to be sold after his Death for the payment of his and his Fathers Debts. Soon after which, the said Lord dying, this Estate was accordingly sold, and became the Seat of that truly Noble and Loyal Gentleman, *Henry Noel Esq.* second Son of *Edward Lord Noel, Viscount Campden*. Which Mr. *Noel* in the times of the late Rebellion, residing here, and refusing to deliver up

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cus. p. 66.

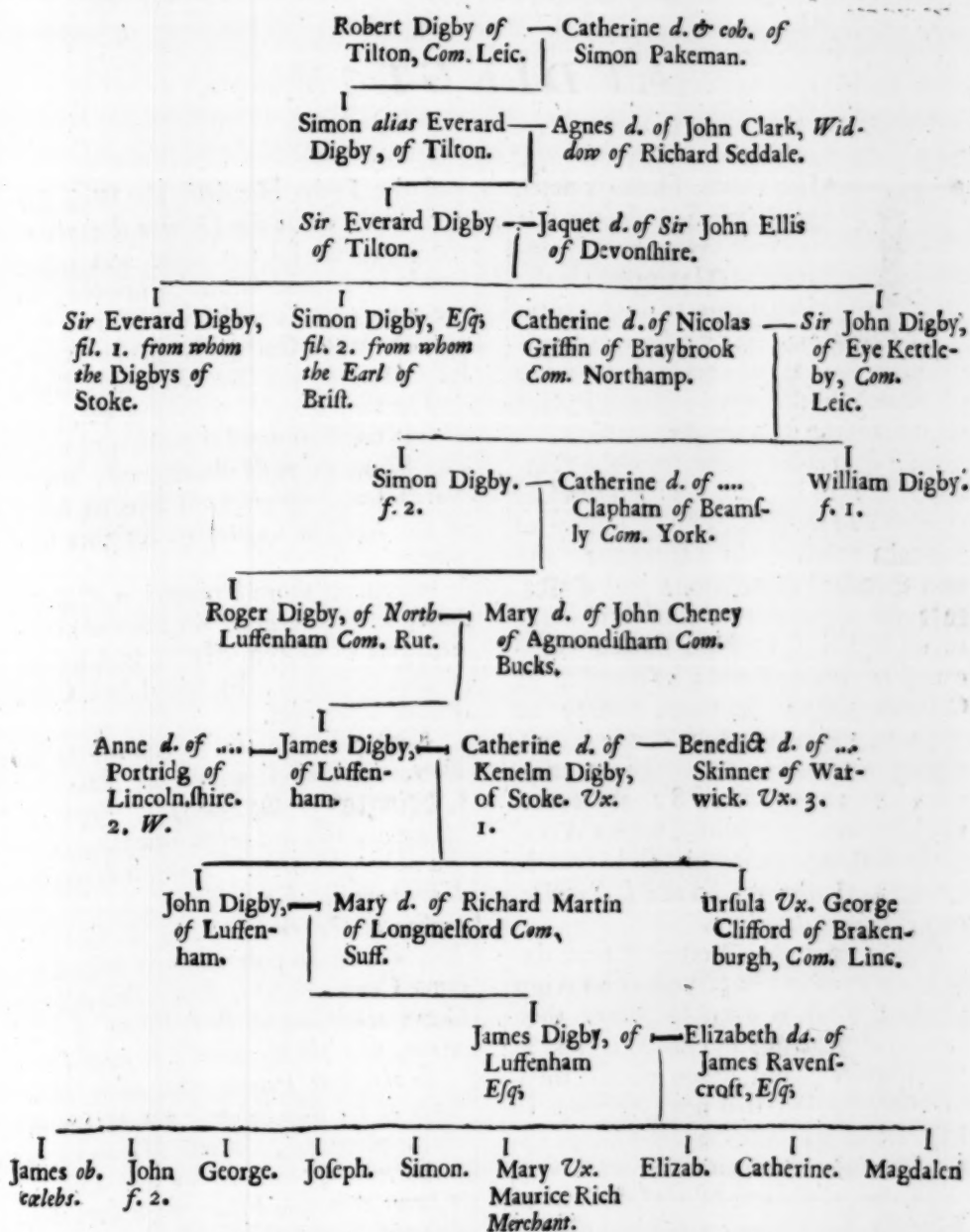
his house, Armes, and person to the Lord *Grey of Groby*, who demanded them for the Parliament, was forced by Fire and Batteries, to Capitulate; and tho the Articles were, 1. That the Rebels should see the Fire quencht; 2. That all in the house should have Liberty to depart whether they would; 3. That none should enter the House but Commanders. Yet not regarding any obligation, Promise or Agreement, they enter the house, as well Common Souldiers as Officers, Rob, plunder, wast, burn, and destroy, his Goods accounts, writings, and Evidences, ravish his maid Servants, enter the adjoining Church, and there deface a goodly Monument erected to his deceased Lady: And having thus ransakt all from the living to the dead, they carryed the said Mr. *Noel* Prisoner to *London*, where he remained a long time in *Peter-house*, a constant sufferer for the Royal Interest.

This Estate is at present the Seat of the honourable *Baptist Noel Esq.* second Son, now living, of the right honourable *Baptist Viscount Campden*, late deceased.

THe Town of South *Luffenham* ^{Co. Rep. li. 5. f. 1.} may be famous for having a Case in Law arising from hence whereby the Kings Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction was asserted. The Historial part of which Case is thus. *Robert Candrey* Parson of the Rectory of South *Luffenham* in the County of *Rutland* was in 31. year of *Qu. El.* deprived of his said Benefice before the high Commissioners, as well for that he had preached against the Book of Common prayer, as also for that he refused to celebrate divine service according to the said Book: After which, the Validity of the said deprivation coming to be examined before the Judges of the common Law in an action of Trespasse brought by the said *Candrey*, *Term. Hill. 33. El.* against one *Atton* for breaking his Close in North *Luffenham*. It was urged by the Council of the Plaintiff that the said Deprivation was void, as not being Warranted by the Stat. 1. *El. ch. 1.* whereby the Queen is enabled by Letters patents under her great Seal to authorise Commissioners to exercise under her Highness all manner of Jurisdiction Ecclesiastical within this Realm and Ireland, &c. But the Objections being over-ruled, it was ^{Id. f. 2.} resolved by the whole Court that the said act concerning Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction was not a Statute introductory of a new Law, but declaratory of the Old, and in case that act had never been made, yet the King or Queen of *England* for the time being, may authorise ecclesiastical Commissioners by the antient Prerogative and Law of *England*: And for that, Sir *Edward Coke* in the Report of that Case produces divers antient Presidents.

A younger Branch of the Family of the *Digbys* of *Wilton* have been many years seated at North *Luffenham* and Lords of a moiety of that Mannour.

Robert



Of the ADVOWSON.

IN the Reign of E. 1. Edmund Earl of Cornwall was Patron of the Church of North Luffenham, and presented to the same John de Moleworth, in the twelve year of that King In the 46 H. 3. William de Bello-campo Earl of Warwick presented to

the Church of South Luffenham. The two Rectories of South and North Luffenham are valued in the Kings Books, each at 17l. 0s. 5d. The Present Patrons are

LYDING.

LYDDINGTON.

THis Town, formerly much more considerable than at present, lyes in the Hundred of *Wangdike*, in the South parts of this County.

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Vol.*

Lyddington, says *Leyland* in his Itinerary (which was made in the reign of *H. 8.*) is the antient Mannor place of the Bishop of **Lincoln**.

*Domesd. North.
n. 5.*

And such it had been from the Conquest, for it is recorded in *Domesday* that *Walterius* held of the Bishop of **Lincoln** two hides in **Lydentone**; and that **Stoche**, **Smelstone** and **Caldecote** did appertain to this Mannor, in all which there were sixteen Carucates, of arable Land; in demesne six Carucates, four Servants, twenty six Villains, and twenty four *Bordarii*, possessing nine Carucates. There were then also two Mills of 8 s. and twenty eight Acres of meadow, with a Wood three furlongs in length and two in breadth, all then valued at 8 l. *Bardite-nuit cum Saca & Soca*.

*Ret. Pat. 3. E.
3. n. 46.*

King *E. 3.* by his Letters Patents dated 12 April in the 3. year of his reign granted Free Warren to *Henry* then Bishop of **Lincoln** and his Successors in **Lyddington** (and other places there mention'd) and that none presume to hunt there without the said Bishops License, under the penalty of 10 l.

*Comp. in Offic.
Augm. pro Com.
Rutland. 3 E. 6.*

In the possession of the Bishop of **Lincoln** this Estate continued, till the Reign of King *Edward 6.* in the beginning of whose reign *Henry Holbeth* then Bishop of that See, did give and grant to the said King (but upon what consideration I find not) the Dominion or Mannor of **Lyddington** with all and singular its rights and Appurtenances in the County of **Rutland**, then valued at the yearly Rent of 63 l. 14 s. 9 d.

Comp. ub. sup.

All which the said King *Edward 6.* soon after granted by Letters Patents under the seal of the Court of Augmentations, dated 24 May in the 2 year of his reign, to *Gregory Lord Cromwell*,

and the Lady *Elizabeth* his Wife for their lives, *si tam diu Domino Regi placuerit*, paying for the same and other Lands in the said Grant mention'd, in the name of a Rent the sum of 14 l. 3 s. 5 d. ob. at the feast of *St. Michael*, yearly. After which Grant, as abovesaid,

The said King *E. 6.* in the 5th. year of his reign granted the Reversion of this Mannor to *William Cecyl*, afterwards Lord *Burghley*, in Fee to hold of the King in *Capite* by Knights service. *5. E. 6. p. 7.*

Hereupon there happend a Case in Law, in the term of *St. Michael* in the first year of Queen *Mary*; which Case is thus reported, by the Lord Chief Justice *Dyer*, viz.

King *Edward the 6.* granted to his Aunt, the Lady *Crumwel* the manner of *Lyddington* in the County of **Rutland** *29.* *Dyer. fo. 94. M. 1. Mar. n.* habendum sibi pro term. vitæ suæ, *si tam diu nobis placuerit*. Afterwards the said King reciting that grant, grants the Reversion of the same, to *Sir. W. Cecyl* in Fee, reddendo post mortem dictæ *Dominae Crumwel* 27 l. &c. And whether *Cecyl* might avoid this Estate at Will or not, was the Question. It seem'd not.

In the same Patent were other Mannours of the like Estate, scil. *si tam diu nobis placuerit*, Which Mannours remain in the Queens hands that now is; it seems that this Estate might have been defeated by the Queen.

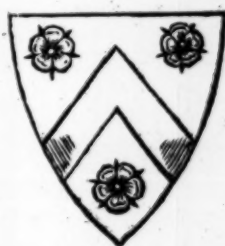
Thus far the report of *Sir James Dyer*.

Which abovemention'd *Sir William Cecyl*, Lord *Burghley* left issue by *Mary* his first Wife, *Thomas* Lord *Burghley*, who in the 3. year of King *James* was created Earl of *Exeter*, in which honourable Family this Lordship remains at this day.

The aforesaid *Thomas* Lord *Burley* in or about the year 1602. converted part of the old Pallace here, formerly belonging to the Bishops of **Lincoln**, into an Hospital for a VVarden, twelve poor Men, and two Women, and

and call'd it **Jesus Hospital**. In the Hall of which Hospital, being a fair Chamber, and (as reported) part of the Bishops own Lodgings heretofore, is still to be seen in the Windows in great Capital Letters *Dominus exaltatio mea: And almost in every Quarry, Delectare in Domino.*

There are also remaining in the same Windows the following Coats of Arms, belonging to two of the ancient Bishops.



John Russell Bish. of Linc.



John Longland Bish. of Linc.

Fitz. N. B.
184. a

Lyddington had formerly a Market belonging to the Bishop of **Lincoln**, and in *Fitzherberts Natura Brevium* the form of a Writ of Nuisance directed to the Sheriff of **Rutland** upon that occasion, is to be seen in these words, *Rex Vic. &c. Prec. P. quod iuste, &c. permittat Episcopum Lincoln. prostrere quoddam Mercatum in Uppingham, quod P.*

de M. pater præd. P. cuius hæres ipse est, iniuste, &c. levavit ad nocumentum liberi mercati C. nuper Episcop. Linc. prædecess. præd. Episcopi in Luddington ut dicit, & nisi fecer. & præd. Episcopus sec. te secur. &c. tunc sum. præd. P. quod sis, &c. ostens. quare, &c.

This Writ we may presume to be granted in the Reign of H. 3. when Peter de Monfort was Lord of the Mannour of **Uppingham**.

Of the ADVOWSON.

In the 32 H. 3. *Nicholas de Evesham* Reg. Lin. Canon of **Lincoln**, presented to the Vicarage of the Prebendary Church of **Lidington**, *Quæ consistit in Altoragio, & in omnibus minutis Decimis de Lidington, exceptis minutis Decimis de Curia Domini Episcopi, in Decimis etiam molendinorum omnium in Parochia de Lidington integre, & in duobus marcis, singulis annis, de Eccles. de Calderote & Snelleston.*

The Prebend of **Lidington**, belonging to the Church of **Lincoln**, is valued in the Kings Books at, 20 l. 00 s. 00 d. And the Vicarage at 8 l. 2 s.

The present Patron of the Vicarage

is

Monuments remaining in the Church.

Before the Steps going up to the Communion Table are Two fair Marble Gravestones adorned with brass Figures, Arms, and Epitaphs:
On one are these Words;

Here lyeth Helyn Hardy the wyf of Robert Hardy Gentilman which decessid on Wilsontay, the yere of oure Lord God, An. M.CCCC. lxxxvi. On whose Soule God have mercy, Amen.

Under the other lies one of the Ancestors of the now Lord **Rockingham**, as seems by the Arms (on a Chevron between 3 Martlets, as many Cressents) which Coat graved on four several Plates of Brass, is fixt towards the four Corners of the Gravestone; and about the Verge

* **O**f your charite pray for the Soule of Master Edwarde Watson Esquier Justice of Peace and to thye reverend fathers in God, that is to say to my Lord William Smith, to my Lord Wil-

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Hamm

liam Attwater, to my Lord John Longland late Successor being Bishop of Lincoln, which Edward deceased the x. day of October, the year of our Lord M. V^c xxx. on whose Soule and on the Soule of Mistress Emme his wyfe Jesu habe mercy.

*Armiger hic situs est Edwardus Watson honoris,
Justicie cultor, atque Causidicus.
Hunc Lincolniae habuit praesul dignissimus olim.
Scribam, & causarum hunc legit ad officium.
Ferre inopi auxilium, longas componere lites,
Consilio promptus quosque juvare fuit.
Quid memorem Dotes animi? quid munera fortis?
In Patriam clarum quid pietatis opus?
Parce Virum conjunx, proles tene parentem
Parce precor lacrimis sollicitare tuum.
Ingenium, Mores, Virtus & fama, Edeatque
Nunc illi ad superos concomitantur iter.*

L Y N D E N.

IN the Hundred of **Wartinsly**. Of this Town I find no mention, in *Domesday Book*, it being no doubt surveyed under the Title of **Hameldune Cherchesoch**.

Nom. Vill.

In the 9 E. 2. the King was Lord of this Mannour.

Pip. Vct. Esch.

In the 18 E. 2. **Matthew Bron** did account in the Exchequer the sum of 14 s. 4 d. for the issues of one yard land in **Lyndon** in *Com. Rutland* then in the Kings hands on the death of **Simon de Lindon**.

Rat. Pat. 22 E. 3. n. 12.

King **Edward 3.** by his Letters Patents, dated 23. June in the 22 year of his Reign granted to **Robert de Corby**, and to **Joan** his Wife, and the Heirs of the said **Robert** for ever, the Mannor of **Lyndon** cum pertinen. and the Advowson of the Church there, formerly granted to **Hugh de Montegomeri** for life: And this was in consideration of the service, which he perform'd to his dear Mother **Isabel** the Queen, and also in exchange for certain Lands, which the said **Robert** held in **Eltham** and **Handebill**.

Ex parte Rem. Thef. H. 10. H. 4.

It was found by Office taken 10 H. 4. That **John Daney's** Son and Heir of **John Danneys** held of the King in Capite the Mannor of **Lyndon** in the County of **Rutland**, by the Service of one Knights

Fee. Afterwards in the 13 H 6. it was found, That **Robert Daney's**, Son and Heir of **John Daney's**, Kt. held the said Mannor by the Service of one third part of a Knights Fee.

King **Edw. 6.** in the Sixth year of his Reign, granted his License to **Francis Peyton** to alienate the Mannor and Advowson of **Lyndon** with the appurtenances, in the County of **Rutland** to **John Hunt** and his Heirs.

This **John Hunt** (as appears by the following Pedigree) was the Father of **Remigius Hunt**, who in the 39. year of **Elizabeth** borrowing 110 l. of **Tobias Loveday** of **Stamford** in the County of **Lincoln** Gent. did joyn in a Lease, with **Elizabeth** his Wife, **Thomas** and **Francis** his Sons, whereby they demised certain Farms in this Town to the said **Loveday** for 21 years, by way of Mortgage, for the security of the said sum; the Rent of which Farms being received by **Loveday**, and amounting to 30 l. per An. clear, one **Will. Cook** of **Normanton** in this County exhibited an Information against the said **Loveday** in the Exchequer, upon the Statute of Usury, but became Nonsuit. The particulars of which Case, being too prolix to be here inserted may be seen at large in *Co. Entrys, Tit. Inform. fo. 393. b. Turgitus*



Turgitus de Stoke, — Alice d. of John
temp. E. 2. Vefey.

William de Stoke,
Rector ecclesie de
Aldbry, vocatus le
Hunt.

... d. of
John
Bellers.

Henry vixit.
19 E. 3.

Turgitus le Hunt.

... d. of Sir John
Wake Kt.

Alice d. of
John Roos.

Johan. le Hunt, d.
Stoke 40 E. 3.

Theobald.
f. p.

Nicholas le Hunt.

Joan d. of John
Heatherfei.

Walter
Hunt.

William
f. p.

... d. of ...
Leigh.

Thomas le Hunt,
8 H. 6.

John Hunt,
2 E. 4.

Maud d. of Hen.
Dethick.

Anne d. of John
Scarborough.

William Hunt, 3 R. 3.

Robert Hunt,
20 H. 7.

Baringold d. of Everard
Digby of Stokedry.

John Hunt, of
Lindon Com.
Rut.

Amy d. of Sir Tho.
Cave of Stamford
Com. Northam.

Susan ux. Richard
Francis of Tie-
kenhal Com.
Derby.

Dorothy ux. Sir Nic.
Luther of Sherland
Com. Surrey, Kt.

Gertrude, 1. mar. to
Hen. Sacheveril of
Relfy Com. Leic.
2. to Thomas Lacy.

Margaret ux. -
Andr. Reynes of
Daventhorp Com.
Nottingham.

Remigius
Hunt, of
Lindon.

Elizabeth d. of Rob.
Raynes of Sam-
ford Com. Nott.

John Hunt,
of New-
ton Cam.
Leic.

Francis Hunt,
of Baradon,
Com. Rutl.

Dorothy d. &
cob. of Row-
land Durant
of Baradon.

Thomas
Hunt.

Thomas Hunt
of Lindon.

Anne d. of Edward
Hafelrig of Leice-
stershire.

Francis.
John.

John Hunt.

Mary d. of Thomas
Wolfely of Wolfely
Com. Staff.

Edward Hunt.

Thottias.

John.

The present Lord of this Mannor is Sir *Thomas Barker*, Baronet, Son and Heir of Sir *Abel Barker*, Baronet, and Nephew and Heir of *Thomas Barker*, Esq;

Brother of the said Sir *Abel*; which two Brothers, not many years since purchased this Lordship and Advowson.



Abell Barker, of Hambleton in Com. Rutland. — Elizabeth.



John Barker, fil. 1. ob. cales 1648.

Sir Abell Barker, of Hambleton, created a Baronet 9 Sept. 1665. ob. 1679.

Anne da. of Sir Thomas Burton of Stockerson in Com. Leic. Baronet Vx. 1.

Mary da. of Alexander Noel, of Whitwell, Esq; Vx. 2.

Thomas Barker, ob. cales 1680.

Sir Thomas Barker, of Linden Baronet.

Mary.

Elisabeth. Thomasin.

Of the ADVOWSON.

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In the 19 H. 3. *Alanus de London* presented *John de Tyes* to the Church of *London*, at that time vacant by the resignation of *Steven de Sandwic*.

The Rectory of *London* is valued in the Kings Books at, 6 l. 17 s.

The present Patron is Sir *Thomas Barker*, Baronet.

MANTON.

LYes in the Hundred of *Martinsy*. Of this Town is no mention in *Domesday Book*, it being, no doubt, one of those seven Berews or Hamlets there mentioned to belong to *Hameldune Cherchejoch*.

In the 9 E. 2. The Earl of *Warwick*, and the Abbot of *Clugny* or *Cluny*, in the Dutchy of *Burgundy*, were Lords of *Manton*: Which Abbot was of the Order of Cistercians. This Estate and all others belonging to foreign Monasteries, were commonly called Priories *Aliens*. Whose Superiours beyond the Seas did in former times use to send over hither their own Country men, French and Normans, by means whereof daily Alms was decay'd, the Treasure of this Realm transported to their Superiour Houses, and the secrets of this

Realm discovered. For these Reasons our Kings, as often as they had Wars with *France*, by the Common Law might and did seize the Possessions of these Priors *Aliens* into their own hands, without any Office, &c. And accordingly I find, that in the 18 E. 2. *Matthew Bron* did account in the Exchequer the sum of 8 l. 4 s. 4 d. for the issues of certain Lands in *Manton* parcel of the Temporalities of the Abbot of *Cluny*, then in the Kings hands. And in the 22. year of *Richard* the 2. it was found by Office, that that King did grant to Sir *Gilbert Talbot*, Knight (*inter alia*) the Mannors of *Manton* and *Cykefoze* in the County of *Rutland*, to hold during the then War with *France*: With License to the said *Gilbert*, to obtain a Grant of the same from the

Co. ubi sup.

Pipe Vet. Esq.

Esq. 22 R. 2: n. 48

Nom. Vill. in Scaoc.

Co. a. Infl. p. 583.

the Abbot and Covent of **Cluny**, for the term of his Life, and one year longer, which said Sir **Gilbert** died the 6. of Feb. in the above-mention'd 22 R. 2.

But for the Reasons above specified, and other considerations, these Priorities *aliens*, having been often complained of in Parliament, were at last totally suppressed, and their Possessions given to the King and his Heirs for ever, in the Parliament holden at **Leicester** in the Second year of King **Henry 5.** to the number of an hundred and ten Religious Houses, says *Speed*. Most of their Lands and Revenues were afterwards by King **Henry 6.** given to other Monasteries and Houses of Learning, especially to the two famous Colledges of that Kings erection, Kings Colledge in **Cambridge**, and **Ca-ton**.

But it seems this Mannor became part of the Possessions of the Collegiate Church of the blessed Trinity of **Cat-teshall** in the County of **Lincoln**: And such it continued till the suppression of that House; It being then valued at 7 l. 2 s. 7 d. per annum.

After which this Estate being in the Crown, King **H. 8.** by Letters Patents dated at **Westminster** 13 Mar. in the 36 year of his Reign, granted among divers other Lands belonging to the said Colledge of **Cat-esball**, all those his Mannors of **Tekefoze**, **Manton**, and **Kilthorpe** in **Com. Rutland** to **Charles Brandon** Duke of **Suffolk**, his Heirs and Assigns, to be held of the King in *Capite* by the twentieth part of a Knights Fee.

Which Estate after the death of the said Duke (37 H. 8.) and the decease of his two Sons **Henry** and **Charles** without Issue (5 E 6) descended to several Heirs general, **Sidney**, **Lovel**, and others.

Concerning whom, it was found by Office in the 1 Mar. That **Thomas Lovel**

held the fifth part of the Mannours of **Tekefoze**, **Manton**, and **Kilthorpe**, with their appurtenances, being part of the Possessions of the late dissolved Colledge of **Cat-esball** in **Com. Lincoln** of the Queen in *Capite* by Knights Service, and that **Margaret** the Wife of **John Kersey** was his Sister and Heir.

But it seems not long after, the whole interest (by partition, composition, or otherwise) became united in the Heir of **Sidney**: For in 21 Eliz. that Queen granted her License to Sir **Henry Sidney**, Kt. Lord President of the Marches of **Wales**, to alienate this Mannour together with that of **Teekfoze** in this County to **Michael Lewis** and his Heirs, which said **Michael Lewis** dying without issue 4. June 26 Eliz. the said estate descended to **Clement Lewis** his brother and Heir. Who in 33 Eliz. obtained License to alienate the said Estate to **William Kirkham jun.** Esq; and accordingly the said **Clement Lewis** did convey the said Estate to the said **Will. Kirkham**, who in the 37 Eliz. obtained the Queens License to alienate the Mannour of **Manton** alias **Manton** to **Roger Dale** then of **Collyweston** in the County of **Northampton**, Esq; his Heirs and Assigns for ever, which accordingly he did by his Deed of Feoffment dated 1 Apr. 37 Eliz. and by a Fine levied 24th. Mic. 2 Jac. In whose name and Family it continued, till of late years **Charles Dale** Esq; Grandson and Heir of the aforesaid **Roger Dale**, leaving at his death four Daughters his Coheirs, some of which being within Age, certain Trustees were inabled by a special Act in the Parliament, held at **Westminster** 31 Car. 2. to sell and convey this Estate, which accordingly they did, by due and effectual Conveyance in the Law, *An. Do.* 1682. to **Abraham Wright**, Clerk, his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Of the Church there.

IN the 10 E. 1. **Edmund Earl of Cornwall** presented to the Church of **Manton**, as Patron of the same. The Rectory of **Manton** is valued in the Kings Book, at 8 l. 19 s. 7 d.

HERE was formerly within our Lady Chappel in this Church one Chan-try or Colledge, founded in the Reign of King **Edward 3.** by **William Wade**, and **John Wade** Capellanus, which **William Wade** appears to be a man of Eminent esteem in this County in those dayes, for

I find his name in the List of Knights of the Shire serving in Parliament for the County of Rutland from the 15 E. 3. to the 25. year of that King, without any intermission.

The particulars of which Foundation were in the 2 E. 6. Surveyed and thus certified by Richard Cecil, Esq; and Thomas Hays Commissioners for that purpose, viz.

*Certif. pro Com.
Rutl. in Offic.
Augm. 2 E. 6.*

The said Chantry or Colledge was founded for the maintenance of one Master or Governour, and two Stipendaries Brethren, to celebrate Divine Service there forever; and had then at the time of the Suppression, Possessions Spiritual and Temporal thereunto belonging in the Counties of Rutland and Leicester, to the value of 26 l. 18 s. 8 d. Whereof in Rents resolute 36 s. Procurations and Synodals 10 s. 5 d. Pensions 3 s. 4 d. Alms to the Poor 30 s. 5 d. Remains clear, per An. 22 l. 18 s. 6 d.

The Pension of the then Master named Sir John Gorle of the age of 78. years, of honest Conversation and Repute, but unable by reason of his age to serve a Cure 13 l. 10 s. 6 d. Out of which per annum to the King for a tenth 2 l. 4 s. 10 d.

The said Master was also Vicar of Aynstord in Com. Oxford.

The Pension of Sir Will. Smith Brother of the said Chantry 9 l. 3 s. He served the Cure of the Parish there, for which he was certified to receive per An. 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. With his Diet, which rated at 2 s. 4 d. the Week, amounts in the whole to 6 l. 1 s. 4 d.

Plate belonging to the said Chantry seven Onnces. Delivered to the Jewel House.

Ornaments and Household stuff with other Goods and Chattels prized at 27 l. 3 s. 4 d.

Debts owing by the Master since and not

before the 8. of December last, whereof he prayeth to be consider'd 4 l. 13 s. 4 d.

Then follows in the said Certificate, this Memorandum or Advice from the abovementioned Commissioners, Viz.

A Vicar of necessity is to be endowed for the serving of the Cure there, which heretofore was served by one of the Brethren of the said Chantry, for that the Rectory there is appropriated to the same Chantry, and the number of Homaging people (i. e. Communicants) within the same Cure are an hundred.

At the time of the suppression of this Chantry or Colledge, which was in the 2 E. 6. that King was pleased to grant to Gregory Lord Cromwel, and the Lady Elizabeth his VVife, the Scite of the said Colledge or Chantry with all Buildings, Gardens, and Orchards thereunto appertaining, and all Lands and Tenements to the said Chantry belonging in Manton, then valued at 20 l. 8 d. per annum. As also the profits of the Rectory of Manton, then valued at 10 l. per an. to have and to hold the premises during their two lives, and the life of the Survivour of them, *si tam diu Regi placuerit*. And this was by Letters Patents under the Seal of the Court of Augmentations, dated 15 May 2 E. 6.

*Comp. pro Com.
Rutl. 3 E. 6.
in Offic. Augm.*

There was also at that time certain Lands in Pykewell in Com. Leicester belonging to this Colledge or Chantry to the yearly value of 6 l. 18 s.

Comp. ut supra.

VVhich said Estate and Tythes, formerly belonging to the Chantry was afterwards granted by Queen Elizabeth (among other Lands) to Robert Lord Dudley, which Grant bears date 9. June in the 5. year of her Reign.

*Rot. Pat. 5.
Ed. pars. 4.*

Monuments in the Church.

Cut on a Plate of Brass fixt in the VVall of the North Building.

O Rate pro animabus Magistro VVillielmi Villers in Legib⁹ Baccallar⁹ quondam Magistri hujus Cantarie. Thome Villers fratris ejusdem Cluis & Pannarti Civitatis London, ac Roberti Neuton in Decretis Baccallar⁹ quondam Apprehenticii dicti Thome posteaque Magistri hujus Cantarie, qui multa bona eidem Cantarie contulit ad Edificia reparavit. Parentum & Benefactor⁹ Noz, Quoz animabus ppiceretur Deus, Amen.

On

On a small Plate of Brass, fixt on a Grave Stone, in the same North Building.

Hic sacet VVillielmus VVade Fundator huius Cantarie,
cujus anime ppicietur Deus.

MARKET OVERTON.

THis Town lies in the Hundred of **Alstoe**, and is so called I presume, in regard it was formerly a Market Town: Yet Mr. *Cambden* in his *Britannia* printed in *Otlazo*, gives it the name of **Margedoberton**; and from the resemblance of that name, thinks it to be the old **Margidunum** mentioned in the Roman Itinerary of *Antoninus*. Which Observation I find omitted as erroneous, in the following Edition, in *Folio*.

It was called **Oberton** from its situation, as standing upon a hilly ground, and all Towns of that name are observed to stand high; *Over*, importing as much as *supra*.

At the time of the Norman Conquest, Earl *Wallef* held in **Obertone** and **Stratone** (then esteemed as a Berew belonging to this Town) three Carucates of Land and a half, as rated to the Geld or Tax. The Arable Land was twelve Carucates. Here at the time of *Domesday* Survey Countess *Judith* held three Carucates, thirty nine Villains, and eight *Bordarii*, having nine Carucates, and forty Acres of Meadow. A Wood (*pastilis per loca*), being one mile in length, and half a mile in breadth. In the time of King *Edward* it was valued at 12 *l.* at the Survey at 20 *l.*

In the Reign of *Edward* 2. *Bartholomew* Lord *Badlesmere* was seized of this Mannour, and in the ninth year of that King obtained a Charter for divers Markets and Fairs in sundry of his Lordships: In perticular for one Market every week upon the *Tuesday* at **Market Overtton** in *Com. Rutland*, and two Fairs, on the *Eve*, day, and morrow of *John Port-Latine* (May 6.) and the other on the *Eve*, day, and morrow of *St. Luke the Evangelist* (*Octob.* 18.) As also for

free Warren in all his demesn Lands, in perticular in his Lordships of **Oberton**, and **Hameldon** in this County. Which Lord adhering to the rebellious Barons of that Age, he was taken at **Burrow-Bitz**, and executed at **Canterbury**, leaving issue *Giles* his Son and Heir. Which *Giles* found such favour with the King, that notwithstanding his Nonage, yet doing his Homage he had Livery of his Fathers Lands, 7 *E.* 3. and died seized of the said Estate 12 *E.* 3. without Issue.

In 33 year of *Edward* 3. *John Vere* Earl of **Oxford** dyed seized of this Mannour, which he had by *Mand* his VVife one of the Sisters and Coheirs of the said *Giles* Lord *Badlesmere*, and VVidow of *Robert* Son of *Robert Fitz Pain*. *John* Lord *Tibetot* (who married *Margaret* another of the Sisters and Coheirs of the said *Giles*) held also certain Tenements here.

In the 2 *E.* 4. *Richard* Duke of **Gloucester** (afterwards King by the name of *Richard* the third) obtain'd a Grant of the fee of this Lordship, and many others which were part of the estate of *John* Earl of **Oxford** attainted, which *John* was the third of that Name and Family, a zealous Lancastrian, and flying over into **France** to *Henry* Earl of **Richmond** return'd with him into **England**, and stood high in his favour ever after.

Afterwards this Town became part of the Possessions of *Henry Courtney* Marquess of **Exeter**, but upon his attainder of High Treason, anno 1538. and the attainder of *Gertrude* his Widow, an. 1539. it came to the Crown. And accordingly I find that *Richard Darington* the Kings Receiver in these parts 3 *E.* 6. did then account in the Court of Augmentations

Camb. Brit. lat. Edit. 1590. p. 419.

Antiq. of Warwicksh. p. 8.

Domesday Tit. Rotel.

Bar. Eng. 2. Vol. 58.

Id. 59.

Bar. Eng. 1. Vol. 193.

Bar. Eng. 2. Vol. 39.

Bar. Eng. 2. Vol. 165.

Comp. in Offic. Augm. pro Com. Rutland. 3 *E.* 6.

tions, for the Rents and profits of this Mannour, then in the Kings hands by reason of the abovesaid attainder, the Sum of 19*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* ob.

*Efc. 14 Jac. p. 2.
n. 116.*

It was found by Office taken at **Oberham** 22 March 13 Jac. after the death of **John Lord Harrington** the Elder, that the said Lord died seized, among other Lands and Possessions in this County, of the Mannour of **Market Overton**, which he held in *Capite* by the 40. part of a Knights Fee.

*Bar. Eng.
2. Vol. p. 146.*

John Lord Molines held one Messuage, fifty one Acres of Land, and one Acre of Meadow in this Lordship, by grant of *E. 3.* in the 20. year of his Reign.

*P. 1 H. 6. ex
parte Rem. Thes.*

In the first of *H. 6.* It was found by Office that **Robert Sussex** Son and Heir of **Robert Sussex** held of the King in *Capite* one Messuage, 51 Acres of land, and one Acre of Meadow in **Market Overton** in the County of **Rutland**, by the Service of the fiftieth part of a Knights Fee: And afterwards in the 24. of the same King, **Thomas Sussex** Brother and

H. H. 24. H. 6.

Heir of **Robert Sussex, jun.** was found to hold the said Estate by the same Services.

VVhich Estate of the **Sussex's** did formerly belong to **Simon de Beresford** Enemy and Rebel of King **Edward 3.** and being by that means forfeited, and in the said Kings hands, it was by him first granted to **Robert Sussex** for life only at the yearly farm of 16*s.* 4*d.*

*Ex Collect. Win.
Bodenham, mil.
fo. 36.*

of the ADVOWSON.

I N the 38 *E. 1.* Sir **Batholomew de Badlesmere** Kt, presented to the Church of **Overton Mercat.**

Reg. Linc.

It was found by Office in the 14. of King **James**, that **John Lord Harrington** Sen. dyed seiz'd of the Advowson of this Church.

*Efc. 14 Jac. p. 2.
n. 116.*

The Rectory of **Market Overton** is valued in the Kings Books at 14*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*

The present Patron is

MARTINSTHORP.

Martinsthorp is situate in the Hundred of **Martinsly**, and hath perhaps given name to that Hundred. Of this Place (formerly a Town) is no mention in *Domesday Book*, it being one of those seven Berews mentioned and surveyed under the Title of **Hameldune Cherchesoch.**

Nom. Vill.

This Mannour formerly belonged to the Family of **St. Liz**, otherwise called **de Seyton** (a Branch of the most noble Family of **St. Liz**, sometimes Earls of **Roxthampton** and **Puntington**) till about the Reign of *H. 6.* Sir **William Feilding**, Kt. marrying **Agnes** the Daughter and Heir of **John de St. Liz**, alias **Seyton**, this Estate first came by that match, into the Noble Family, who at this day enjoy it. From which **William** descended Sir **William Feilding**, Kt. advanced in the 18. year of King **James** to the de-

*Bar. Eng.
2 Vol. 441.*

gree of a Baron of this Realm, by the Title of Lord **Feilding** of **Newham-Bador**, as also to that of Viscount **Feilding**, and in the 20. of the said King he was created Earl of **Denbigh**. This Noble Lord died in the service of his late Majesty King **Charles** the First of blessed memory, 8 April 1643. leaving issue by **Mary** Daughter of Sir **George Villiers**, and Sister to the late Duke of **Buckingham**, two Sons, **Basil**, who succeeded him in his Honours, and **George** created Lord **Feilding** of the **Cage** in **Ireland**, Vicount **Callen**, and Earl of **Desmond**; which said **Basil** Earl of **Denbigh** deceasing without issue, Anno 1675. **William** his said Brothers Son and Heir succeeded to the Honours and Estate, and is the present Earl of **Denbigh** and **Desmond**.

Galfridus



Galfridus Comes de Hapsburg &
Dominus de Lauffenburgh &
Rinfelden in Germania. Temp. H. 3.

Galfridus Feilden. — Matilda de Coleville.

Galfridus Feilden. — Agnes f. Johannis de Napton.

Willielmus Feilding. — Johanna f. Willielmi Prudhome.

Johannes Feilding, — Margareta f. ...
miler. Purefoy.

Willielmus Feilding, — Agnes f. & b. Johannis
miler. de St. Liz.

Everardus Feilding, — Jellis f. ... Ruffel.
mil. Balnei.

Willielmus Feilding, — Elizabetha f. Thomæ Pultney
mil. ob. 2 E. 6. de Milterton mil.

Basilus Feilding, — Goditha f. & cob. Willielmi Willington,
arm. de Burcheston in Com. Warw. ar.

Willielmus Feilding — Dorathea f. Radulphi Lune,
mil. mil.

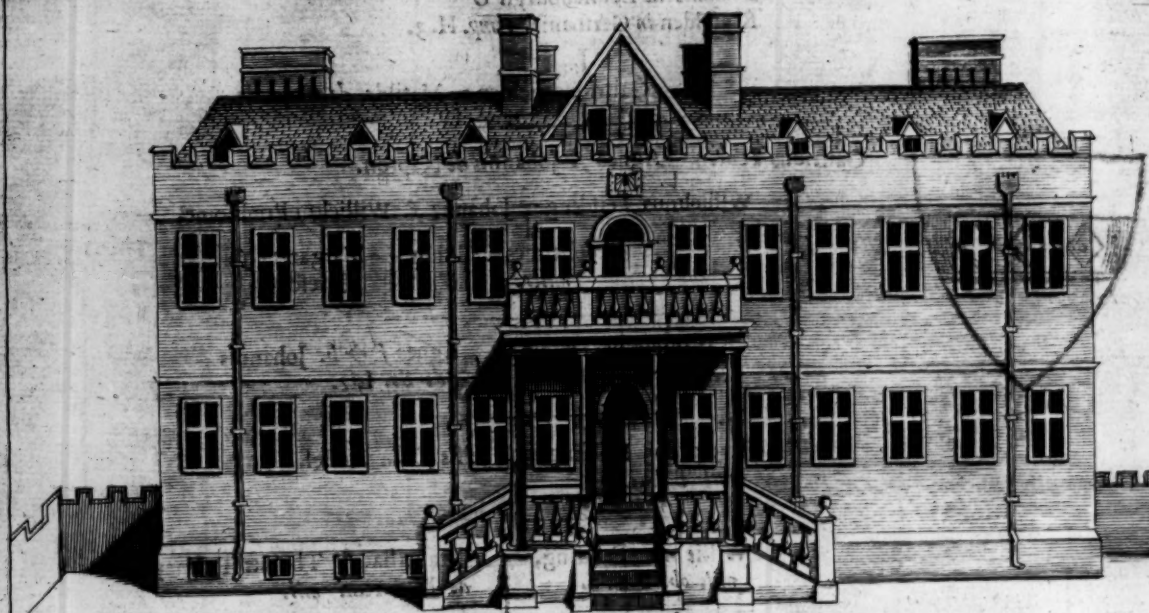
Basilus Feilding, ar. — Elizabetha f. Walteri Aston de
Tixal in Com. Staff. mil.

Willielmus Feilding, mil. — Maria f. Georgii Villers,
Dominus Feilding, & Comes de Brookesby in Com.
de Denbigh. Leic. mil.

Basilus Comes de — Georgius Dominus Feilding — Brigetta f. Milonis
Denbigh ob. f. p. Comes de Desmond in Stanhop milistr.

Maria Soror nuper Domini — Willielmus Comes de — Maria f. Henrici Cary
de Kingston in Hi- Denbigh & Desmond. Comitiss de Monmouth.
bernia.

Basilus Dominus — Willielmus. — Maria:
Feilding.

Martinsthorp House, on the South Side.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

Martinsthorp was formerly a Rectory presentative, and in the Reign of E. 1. (*Benedict de Gravesend* being then Bishop of *Lincoln*) the Lady *Alice de Monteforte* presented to the Church of *Martinsthorp*. Which A-

lice was Daughter of *Henry de Aldithley*, and Widow of *Peter de Montfort*, who died 50 H. 3.

The Rectory of *Martenthorp* (at present a Sine-Cure) is valued in the Kings Books at, 6l. 0s. 4d.

The Patron of the Sine-Cure is the Earl of *Denbigh*.

M O R C O T.

Domesd. North. p. 51.

Morcote lies in *Wangdike* Hundred: In this Town there was formerly belonging to the Kings Mannour of *Barobodon* four Hides of Land, eight Carucates of Arable, and Six Acres of Meadow.

Rot. de Dominibus, &c. 31 H. 2.

In the 31 H. 2. It was found that *Alice de Bidune* sister of *William Mauduit* was at the Kings disposal, that she was

then fifty years of Age, that her Land in *Morcote cum pertinent.* was of the yearly value of 10l. with one Plow: and that she had four Daughters, one married to *Hugh* (or rather *Henry*) de *Clinton*, a second to *Milo de Bellocampo*, a third to *Richard de Bellocampo*, and the fourth to *Gaufridus* Son of *Gaufridus*.

In

Pipe 11 Joh.
Ret. 5.

In the 11 John the said Hugh (or Henry) de Clinton and Amicia his Wife, Milo de Bellocampo and Amabilis his Wife, Gaufridus the Son of Gaufridus and Matilda his Wife, and Hugh de Bellocampo, and Adulphus de Gattefelden and Arme-gard his Wife, claimed against Isabel Malduit the Town of **Bozocote** cum pertinent. as their right, who came and called to Varranty Robert Malduit the Lord thereof, in regard she claims nothing but in Dower.

Nom. Vill.

In the Reign of E. 2. Thomas de Beauchamp was Lord of **Bozocote**.

Mic. 11 E. 4.
Ex parte Rem.
Tbct.

It was found by Office taken in 11 year of Edw. 4. That Edward Dodingsels held at the time of his Death, among other Lands, the Mannour of **Bozocote** (Com. Rutl.) of the King in Capite, by the service of the third part of a Knights Fee.

Esch. 3 El.

It was found by Office in the third year of Queen Eliz. that Simon Digby (inter alia) held certain Lands of the yearly value of 4*l.* in **Bozocote**, of the Queen in Capite by Knights Service, and that Roger Digby was his Son and Heir. VVhich Lands by another Inquisition taken in the said Queens time, appeared to be six Messuages, one Cottage, an hundred thirty and four Acres of land, eight acres of Meadow, and thirty four Acres of Pasture.

The Lord Paramount here, is (at the writing hereof) the Right Honourable the Earl of **Exeter**, and Joseph Herendine, Esq; mean Lord of this Mannour.

Here is erected in this Town a small Hospital for six poor People, men or VVomen unmarried: Their Provision 6*l.* per annum a peice. It was founded in the tenth year of King James by one

Mr. George Jilson, a Roman Catholick (and as some say, a Priest) for the maintenance of which he settled certain lands at **Scredington** or **Screekington**, in Com. Lincoln, (let at that time for the sum of 40*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly, over and above all reprises) on certain Trustees and their Heirs, for the sole use and behoof of the said poor people, twenty shillings onely being yearly deducted for the Church VVardens of the Parish, in consideration of their trouble in collecting the said Rents, and quarterly distributing the same.

Ex relatione
Johannis Sa-
vage, Cler.

The same Mr. Jilson built also about the same time, another Hospital, more considerable than this, (as I have heard) at **Abby-Fallows** in **Leicestershire**.

Of the ADVOWSON.

In the Reign of King John, Ernaldus son of Richard, claim'd the Advowson of the Church of **Bozocot**, against Isabel Malduit, who came and call'd to VVarranty Robert Malduit her Son in regard she held in Dower only.

Ex Collect. Win.
Bodenham, mil.
fo. 19.

The perpetual Advowson of this Church was of late years purchased by William Halls, Clerk, Rector of **Glatton** in this County; who dying devised the said Advowson to his Son William Halls of London, Citizen and Merchant Taylor, who very lately conveyed the same to the present Incumbent, John Savage, Clerk, his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

The Rectory of **Bozocot** is valued in the Kings Books at 10*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*

The Present Patron is the above-mentioned Mr. Savage.

In the Church.

Cut about the Verge of an Ancient Tomb standing on the South side of the Church, and let into the VVall by a kind of Niche, or Arch.

† VVillielm. de Overton gift icy
Dieu de Salme eyt mercy, Amen.

In the middle of the Chancell, cut about the Verge of a plain Gravestone.

Heare lyeth the Body of Elisabeth Beeton buried
the 9. day of March in the year of our Lord, 1622.

NORMONTON.

IN the Hundred of **Martindale**. Of **Normanton** there is not any mention in *Domesday Book*, it being, no doubt, one of those seven Berews or Hamlets, mentioned and Surveyed under the title of **Hameldune Cherechesech**.

Soon after the Conquest the **Normanvilles** were Lords of this Town; a Family of great account in those elder times, who were also seated at **Benar-ton** in the hundred of **Blackbozn** in **Kent**, till their male issue failing, both that Estate, and this in **Rutland** went by Match to the **Basings**.

In the Reign of E. 2. **William de Basings** was Lord of **Normanton**. It is not improbable that this **William de Basings** might be related to **Adam de Bassing** who was Lord Mayor of **London**, in 36 H. 3. (1251) whose habitation was where **Blackwell-hall** now stands in **London**, and from whom the Street and Ward thereunto adjoining took the denomination of **Bassings-hall Street**, and **Bassinges-hall Ward**. The Armes of which Family, viz. *Gerundee of 12 peices O. and az.* were till the last age, to be seen in the stone work, and painted in abundance of places about the said hall. But in what degree of Consanguinity they were allyed, I know not. Mr. *Philpot* in his *Villare Cantianum* makes them to be of the same blood and family: And I have seen some notes of discent that makes this **William de Basings** to be Grandson to the above-mentioned **Adam de Bassing**, viz. Son of **Robert de Basing** Sheriff of **London** in 7 E. 1. and he Son of the said **Adam**. But whether it be so or not, I cannot affirm: in regard the Arms of this **William de Basings** and his issue are so very different from the former, namely, *az. a Crosse moline voided*, Or, which Coat is to be seen at this day in the Church Windows here at **Normanton**,

and also at **Empingham** in this County. However, I am apt to believe that this **William de Basings** is the same person with **William Basing**, who was one of the Sheriffs of **London** in 2 E. 2. and a great Benefactor to the Priory of Black Nuns called **St. Hellens** within **Bishopsgate** in **London**: Which Priory was first founded by **William Basing**, Dean of **Pauls**, about the year 1212. in the Reign of King **John**.

Certain it is, that the said **William de Basings**, enjoyed this Estate by reason that he married **Margaret** Daughter and heir of **Thomas de Normanville**, Lord of this Town, by which **Margaret** he had issue **Thomas de Basings**, whose Grandson **Sir John de Basings** Knight, departed this life in the 24 H. 6. without issue: After whose death this Estate came by discent into the name and family of the **Mackworths**, **Thomas Mackworth** of **Mackworth** in **Com. Derby**, having married **Alice**, the Sister and heir, of the said **Sir John de Basings**. Brother to which **Thomas Mackworth**, was **John Mackworth**, Dean of **Lincoln** in the Reign of King H. 6. * To whom did formerly belong the Messuage in **Holborn** now known by the name of **Bernards Inn**, but antiently called **Mackworths Inn**.

From which said **Thomas** descended **George Mackworth Esq;** who in the space of forty years, was five times high Sheriff of this County, and dyed 28 H. 8. whose great Grandson **Thomas Mackworth** of **Normanton Esq;** was by Patent dated 4 Jun. in the 17 Jac. (1619) advanced to the Degree of a Baronet of this Kingdom, being the 106th. in the List of that Honour: from whom descends **Sir Thomas Mackworth** Baronet, the present Lord of this Mannour and **Empingham**: the 14th. in degree from **Thomas de Normanville** who departed this life in 3 H. 3.

Stow. Sur.
Lon. p. 178.
Weavers Fam.
Mon. p. 421.

Ex Stem.

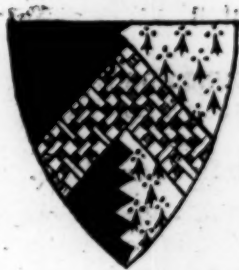
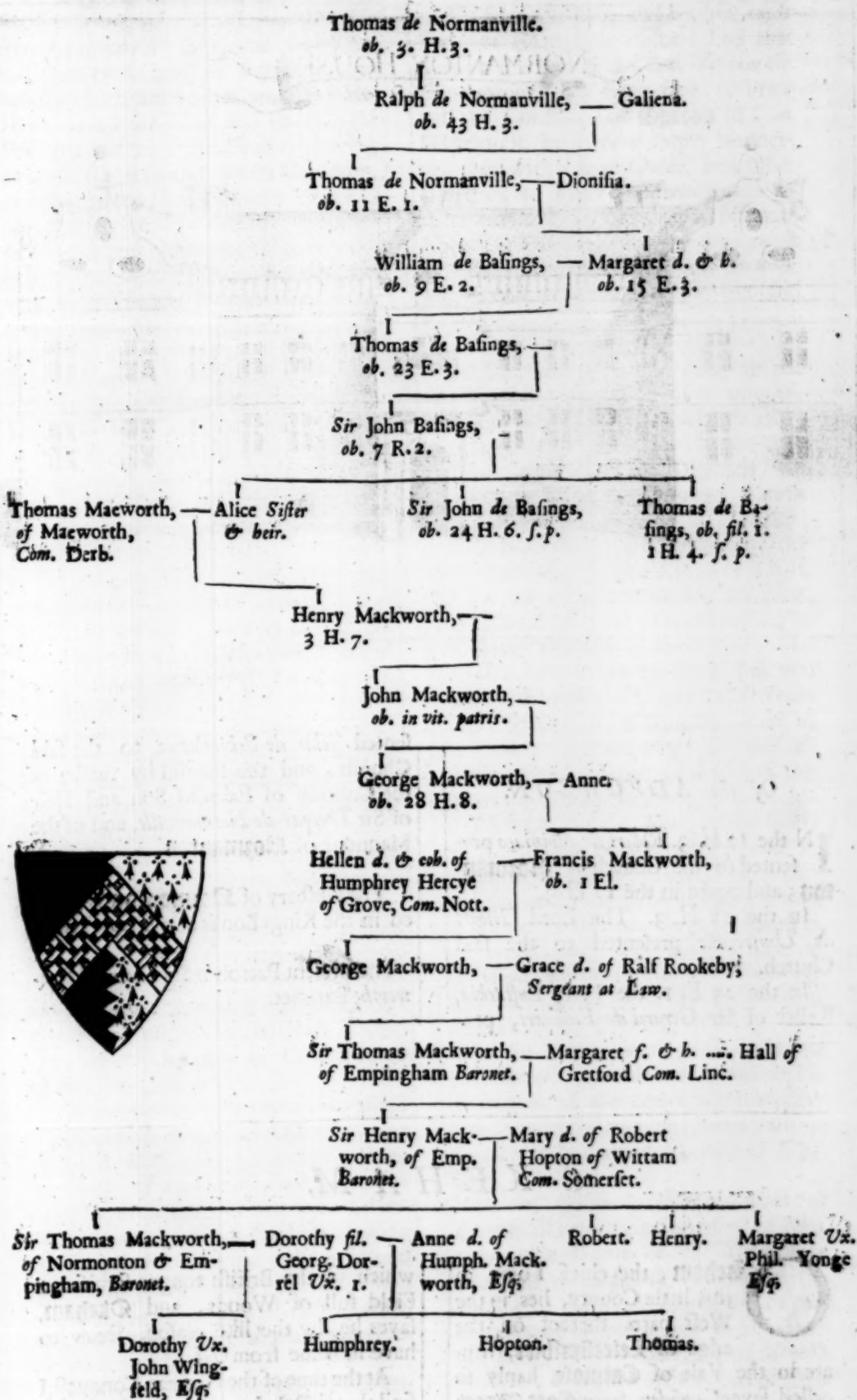
* Stow. Sur.
Lon. p. 430.
Dig. Orig.
Jurid.

Thomas

Nom. Vill.

Stow. Sur.
London 298.

Vil. Cant.
p. 201.





Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 12 H. 3. Robert de Albiniaco presented to the Church of **Normanton**; and again in the 17 H. 3.

Ibid.

In the 21 H. 3. The Lord Gilbert de Umfreville presented to the said Church.

Ex Collec.
Wingf. Bod.
mil.

In the 25 E. 1. the Lady Eustachia, Relict of Sir Gerard de Faucart, pre-

sented John de Schireborne, to the said Church, and this she did by reason of the Custody of Edmond Son and Heir of Sir Thomas de Normanville, and of the Mannour of **Normanton**.

The Rectory of **Normanton** is valued in the Kings Books at 5 l. 4 s. 7 d.

The present Patron is Sir Thomas Mackworth, Baronet.

O K E H A M.

Cam. Brit.
Rutl.

Okeham, the chief Town in this little County, lies in the West parts thereof on the edge of **Leicestershire**, situate in the Vale of **Catmose**, haply so called, sayes **Camden**, from **Coet Daes**,

which in the British tongue signifies a Field full of Woods, and **Okeham**, sayes he, by the like reason, seems to have its name from **Oakes**.

At the time of the Norman Conquest, I find that in **Okeham** *Cherchesoch* with the five

*Domesday Tit.
Rotel.*

five Berews, or Hamlets, thereunto belonging. Queen Eddid held four Carucates of Land, as rated to the Tax or Geld. Of arable Land there were sixteen carucates. Afterwards the King had here two Carucates *ad aulam*, and besides which about four Carucates more. Here were a hundred and thirty eight Villains, and nineteen *Bordarii* having amongst them thirty seven Carucates, and a quarter, and twenty Acres of Meadow. There was here at that time one Priest and a Church, to which did belong four Bovates of this Land. Here was also a Wood (*silva pastilis*) being one mile in length, and half a mile in breadth. All which was, in the time of King Edward, valued at 40 l.

Ib.

Here also one *Levenot* did before the Conquest hold one Carucate of Land as it was rated to the Tax or Geld. Which at the time of the Survey, *Fulcherus Mala opera* enjoyed, being five Bovates, and six Acres of Meadow, valued then at 20 s.

The whole Mannour of *Okeham* with the said Hamlets or Berews, is said in the Record of *Domesday* to contain three miles in length, and one mile and eight quarantenes, or furlongs in breadth.

Leuca Anglicana 12 Quarantenas continetur, Spelm. Glo.

Ib.

Albertus Clericus (or *Ambrey* the Clerk) held at the time of *Domesday* Survey the Churches of *Okeham*, and *Hamelton*, and *St. Peters* in *Stanford*, which belongs to *Hamelton*, together with the Lands adjoining to the said Churches, viz. seven Bovates; all which the said *Albertus* had by the Kings Grant and favour. And he held in Demesne four Carucates, and eighteen Villains, and six *Bordarii* having five Carucates. Which last mentioned estate was valued in the time of King Edward at 8 l. but at the Conquerours Survey at 10 l.

*Domesday Tit.
Leicest.*

At the time of the aforementioned Survey there was in *Mosstone* (now called *Knoson* in *Com. Leicest.*) three Carucates of Land appertaining to the Soke of *Okeham*. there were seventeen Socmen, and six *Bordarii*, having six Carucates; there was also a Wood of one furlong in length and half a furlong in Breadth; all then valued at 20 s. and held by the King in Demesne.

Afterwards this Mannour of *Oke-*

ham became part of the Possessions of the *Newburgs*, a Noble family of the Normans, who came into England with Duke *William*, and by him made Earls of *Warwick*: for I find that the younger Son of the said *William* the Conquerour, viz. King *Hen. 1.* granted the Lordship of *Sutton* in *Com. Warwick*, in a very ample manner, together with a free Chace, and other Liberties, to *Roger de Newburg*, the second Earl of *Warwick* of the Norman Race; in Exchange for the Mannours of *Hocham* and *Langham* in *Com. Roteland*, then held by the said Earl.

Antiq. of Warwick sh. illus. p. 663.

But it seems that this Mannour of *Okeham* continued not long in the Crown, but was regranted to another eminent Subject, of the Noble Family *de Ferrariis*.

Bar. Eng. 1 Vol. 266.

The first Baron of *Okeham* was *Walkeline de Ferrers* a younger Son to *William de Ferrers* Earl of *Derby*, which *Walkeline* held *Okeham* by the service of one Knights fee, and a half, in the 12 H. 2. and in the 22 H. 2. paid a hundred marks for trespassing in the Kings Forrefts in those parts. In 33 H. 2. he answered 30 s. for one Knights fee and a half, upon Collection of the Scutage of *Salwepe*. And in the 1 R. 1. was acquitted for the affarting of eighty acres of Land in the Forrest of *Roteland*; viz. in the fields of *Okeham* fifty five acres, in the fields of *Braunston* twenty acres, and in the fields of *Broc* five acres. But that which is most memorable of him, is that he was at the famous Seige of *Acon* in the Holy Land, with King *Ric. 1.* in the third year of his Reign. *Hugh* the Son of this *Walkeline* dying without issue about the beginning of King *John*, *Isabel* his Sister, Wife to *Roger* Lord *Mortimer*, became his heir. Who in the ninth year of the said King *John*, gave seven hundred marks, and seven Palfreys for Livery of the said Mannor of *Okeham*.

Bar. Eng. 1 Vol. 764.

In the 36 H. 3. *Richard* Earl of *Cornwall* a younger Son of King *John*, obtained a Grant of the Mannor of *Okeham* in *Rutland* (sometime belonging to *Isabel de Mortimer*) in part of payment of 500 l. due to him from the King, on the marriage of *Senchia* his Wife, Daughter of the Earl of *Worcester*.

since to hold to himself, and the Heirs of his Body by her. This **Richard** Earl of **Cornwal** was crowned King of the Romans at **Aix** in **Germany**, anno 1257. whose Son, **Edmund** Earl of **Cornwal**, died without Issue, 28 E. 1. After whose death, **Margaret** his Widow held this Estate for her life, *Vide Langham* *supr.*

In the 15 E. 2. The Castle of **Okeham**, and Shrevalty of the County of **Rutland** was granted to **Edmund** Earl of **Kent**, the said Kings second Brother: which **Edmund** was attaint of Treason in Parliament, and executed 4 E. 3.

In the 11 E. 3. **William de Bohun**, Earl of **Northampton**, had a grant from the Crown, of the Castle and Mannour of **Okeham**, and of the Shrevalty of the County of **Rutland**, to hold to himself, and the Heirs Males of his Body, under certain conditions in the said Grant expressed. Whose Son **Humphrey de Bohun** Earl of **Northampton**, by descent from his Father, and Earl of **Hereford** and **Essex**, as heir to his Uncle, died seized of this Mannour, 46 E. 3. leaving only two Daughters; **Eleanor**, who became the Wife of **Thomas of Woodstock**, (sixth Son to King **Henry** the third) and **Mary** married to **Henry** Earl of **Derby**, afterwards King of **England**, by the name of **Henry** 4. It reverting thus again to the Crown in default of issue male, **Rich.** 2. in the ninth year of his Reign, having retain'd **Robert Vere** Earl of **Hereford** (and afterward Marquess of **Dublin**, and Duke of **Ireland**) into his employment; did in consideration of the great costs and expences he was at in his service, give him the Castle and Lordship of **Okeham**, with all the Forrest of **Rutland**, to hold for the term of his Life, the Remainder to the heirs Males of his Body: Yet this was but an earnest of what follow'd; for in the same year, he granted him the Land and Dominion of **Ireland** with all profits, &c. as amply as the King himself ought to have the same, excepting to the King the Homage, Resort, and Superiority of that Country. But this great and invidious Favourite, being (not without cause) highly disgusted by the Nobility, more especially the abovesaid **Henry** Earl of **Derby**, he was forced to flee the Kingdom, banisht in Parliament, outlaw'd, and his Estate seized; and being beyond Sea, he was wounded by a wild Boar in

hunting, of which he died at **Lobaine** 16 R. 2. (1392.) without issue.

But his Estate in **Okeham**, was it seems revoked long before his death, for during his troubles, the abovemention'd **Thomas** of **Woodstock** Duke of **Gloucester**, one of his Arch enemies, obtain'd of the said King about the 12. year of his Reign, a Grant of the Castle, Town, and Mannour of **Okeham** with the Shrevalty of the County, last part of the Possessions of **William de Bohun** Earl of **Northampton**. Which **Thomas** left issue **Anne** his Daughter and sole Heir, who was first married to **Edmund** Earl of **Stafford**, and after his death to **Sir William Bourchier**, Kt. Earl of **Cwe**.

But in 13 R. 2. **Edward**, eldest son of **Edmund** of **Langley** Duke of **York** fifth son of King **Edward** the Third, being created Earl of **Rutland** for his Fathers life; had therewithal a Grant of the said Castle, Town, and Lordship of **Okeham**, with the Shrevalty of the said County, in part of satisfaction of eight hundred Marks *per Annum* intended to him: Which **Edward** was in the 21. of the said Kings Reign made Constable of **England**, and Duke of **Albemarle**; but after upon the deposal of King **Richard**, the title of Duke was taken from him: and tho at first he opposed King **Henry** the Fourth, yet afterwards he became much in his favour; and in the Parliament 7 H. 4. was restored to his Hereditary Dignity of Duke of **York**; and lost his Life in the Battle of **Agincourt**. 3 H. 5.

In the Reign of **Henry** 6. **Humphrey** **Stafford** Duke of **Buckingham**, descended from the abovesaid **Thomas** of **Woodstock** (*viz.* Son of **Edmund** Earl of **Stafford**, and **Anne** Daughter and sole Heir of the said **Thomas**) was joyntly with **Anne** his Wife seized of the Castle, Mannour, and Lordship of **Okeham**, with two * Parks there, the one called **Fleeteris**, the other **Stone-Park**, and so seized died the 38 H. 6. which Estate the said **Anne** held after his death: and in the 1 E. 4. made **William** Lord **Hastings** her Steward of the said Mannour, and Constable of the said Castle. The said **Anne** Dutcheß of **Buckingham**, was Daughter to **Ralph** **Nevil** the first Earl of **Westmoreland**, and married for her second Husband **Sir Walter Blount**, Kt. Lord **Mountjoy**, and departed

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ed this life in the twentieth year of E. 4. After whose decease, *Henry Duke of Buckingham*, Son and Heir of the said *Humphry* and *Anne*, succeeded his Father in his Honours, and posselt also (no doubt) this Estate; till endeavouring to depose *Richard 3.* whom he (chiefly) had lately advanced to the Throne; he was by that Kings command beheaded at *Salisbury*, without any legal Tryal, *An. 1484.* (1 R. 3.)

After whose Death *Henry Lord Grey of Codnoure* in *Com. Derby* obtain'd a grant, in the said first year of R. 3. of the Mannors of *Okeham*, *Langham*, and *Eggeston*, from that King to hold to the said Lord *Henry*, and the heirs Males of his body lawfully begotten. But this gift ended with his life, (if not sooner) for in the 11th. of H. 7. he dyed without any lawful issue. After which *Edward Stafford* the last Duke of *Buckingham* of that family, enjoyed this Estate, till his Attainder, 13. H. 8.

At which time it reverting to the Crown, and King *Hen. 8.* having created his great Mignon, *Thomas Cromwell*, a Baron of this Realm by the name of Lord *Cromwell* of *Okeham*, among other his many Bounties, in the 30th. year of his reign, granted him the Castle and Lordship of *Okeham*, which said Lord, not long after falling into the Kings disfavour, and accused of several high Crimes was on the 24th. of July 32 H. 8. beheaded on the Tower hill: Leaving issue *Gregory Cromwell* his Son and heir. Which *Gregory* was by a new patent bearing date the 18th. of December 32 H. 8. created a Baron of this Realm, by the Title of Lord *Cromwell*, but not distinguish'd by any Place.

The said Lord held the Castle and Mannour of *Okeham*, the Mannour of *Langham*, two Windmills, three other Mills, sixty Messuages, twenty Cottages with their appurtenances in *Okeham*, *Langham*, and * *Flittereys*, of the King in *Capite*, by Knights service in Fee: Also the Mannour of *Lyddington*, and Lands belonging to the late Chantry at *Manton*, with their appurtenances in *Lyddington*, *Belton*, *Wardly*, *Stokedry*, and *Snellston*, with the Advowson of *Ward-*

ly, of the King, by the Rent of 14 l. 3 s. 5 d. ob. per an. for all services as appear'd by Letters Patents granted by King *Edward* the 6th. to the said *Gregory Lord Cromwell*. And this last mention'd estate was for the lives of himself and *Elizabeth* his Wife. All this was found by office taken at *Uppingham* 25 Sept. 5 E. 6. Upon the Death of the said *Gregory*, and that *Henry Lord Cromwell*, was his Son and heir. Whose Son and heir *Edward Lord Cromwell*, obtain'd license, dated 12 Feb. 38. Eliz. to alienate the Castle and Mannour of *Okeham* with the appurtenances, to Sir *John Harrington* Knight (created Lord *Harrington* 1 Jac.) And accordingly it was found by office taken on the 22 March, 14 Jac. That *John Lord Harrington* the Elder, dyed seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannor, Castle, and Lordship of *Okeham* with the appurtenances, in *Okeham*, *Braunston*, *Wardly*, and *Belton*, all which he held in *Capite* by Knights Service. And this Estate was after the said Lords Death enjoy'd by *Anne Lady Harrington*, his Widdow, as part of her joynture. But was, not long after, conveyed to the late Duke of *Buckingham*, whose Son and heir, the right Noble *George*, now Duke of *Buckingham*, is the present Owner of the Castle, Mannour, and Lordship of *Okeham*.

The Family of *Flore*, alias *Flower* (an antient and Worshipful name, of which see more in *Whitwell*, *infra*) was formerly Seated in this Town, on a fair Estate of Freehold, viz. ten Messuages, an hundred Acres of Land, ten Acres of Meadow cum pertinent. held of the Lord of this Mannour by Fealty only, which Estate, or the greatest part of it was afterwards, in the Reign of Queen *Eliz.* purchased of one *William Flower*, a younger Branch of that Family, by *Hugh Booth* Rector of *Cusington* in *Com. Leic.*

Here is also another Mannor, containing part of this Town, and all *Barlythorp* a Hamlet in this Parish, belonging to the Dean and Chapter of *Westminster*. Of which see more in *Barlythorp*, *Supra*.

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Id. 375.

Esc. 5 E. 6. pars 2. n. 45.

* Formerly a Park belonging to the Lords of *Okeham*; first inclosed in the 36 H. 3. by *Richard Earl of Cornwall*. Vid. *Escb.* 36 H. 3. n. 44.

Rot. Pat. 38 El. pars 6.

Escb. 14. Jac. pars 2. n. 116.

Escb. 15 H. 8. n. 23.

Of the Church there.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 12 H. 3. the Abbot of **Westminster** presented to the Church of **Okeham**, **Gilbert Mareſcallus**. Salvo **Willielmo** ejusdem ecclesie vicario, & **Rogero de Sancto Johanne** Vicario Capelle de **Branteston** jure suo quod habent in istis Vicariis, & Salvo **Galfrido** qui Capellam de **Knosington** tenuit jure suo in eadem, proviſum est etiam per dictum Episcopum quod dictus **Gilbertus** nullum habuit jus in ecclesia de **Hameldon** per hanc institutionem.

Ibid.

In the 29 E. 1. the said Abbot and Convent of **Westminster**, presented **John de Langford** to the Benefice of the Church of **Okeham**, which Benefice did then appear by inquisition, to be in Rectoria & non in vicaria: & consistere in portionibus infra scriptis, viz. in toto alteragio Eccl. de **Okeham**, & capellarum de **Langham**, **Egleton**, **Brock**, **Guntorp**, & de **Thorp**, cum omnibus minutis Decimis ad alteragium qualitercunq; spectantibus, & cum medietate feni om-

nium parochianorum tam Eccl. de **Okeham** quam capellarum predict. & in una Carucata Terra cum pertinentiis, & uno manso ex parte australi Ecclesie de **Okeham** scituato, & in decimis Garbarum in parochia de **Okeham** ad estimationem trium marcarum, & in una Marca que Capella de **Knosington** Ecclesie de **Okeham** soluerit annuatim.

After the Desolution of **Westminster** 4 E. 6. pars 4^a Abby, King E. 6. in the 4th. year of his reign, granted among other things the Advowson of the Vicarage of the Church of **Okeham**, to **Nicholas Ridley** Bishop of **London** and to his Successors for ever; and this was by his Charter dated 12 day of April in the said 4th. year of his reign.

The Vicarage of **Okeham** cum Capellis, is valued in the Kings Books at, 28 l. 3 s.

The present Patron is the Bishop of **London**.

Monuments remaining in the Church of Okeham.

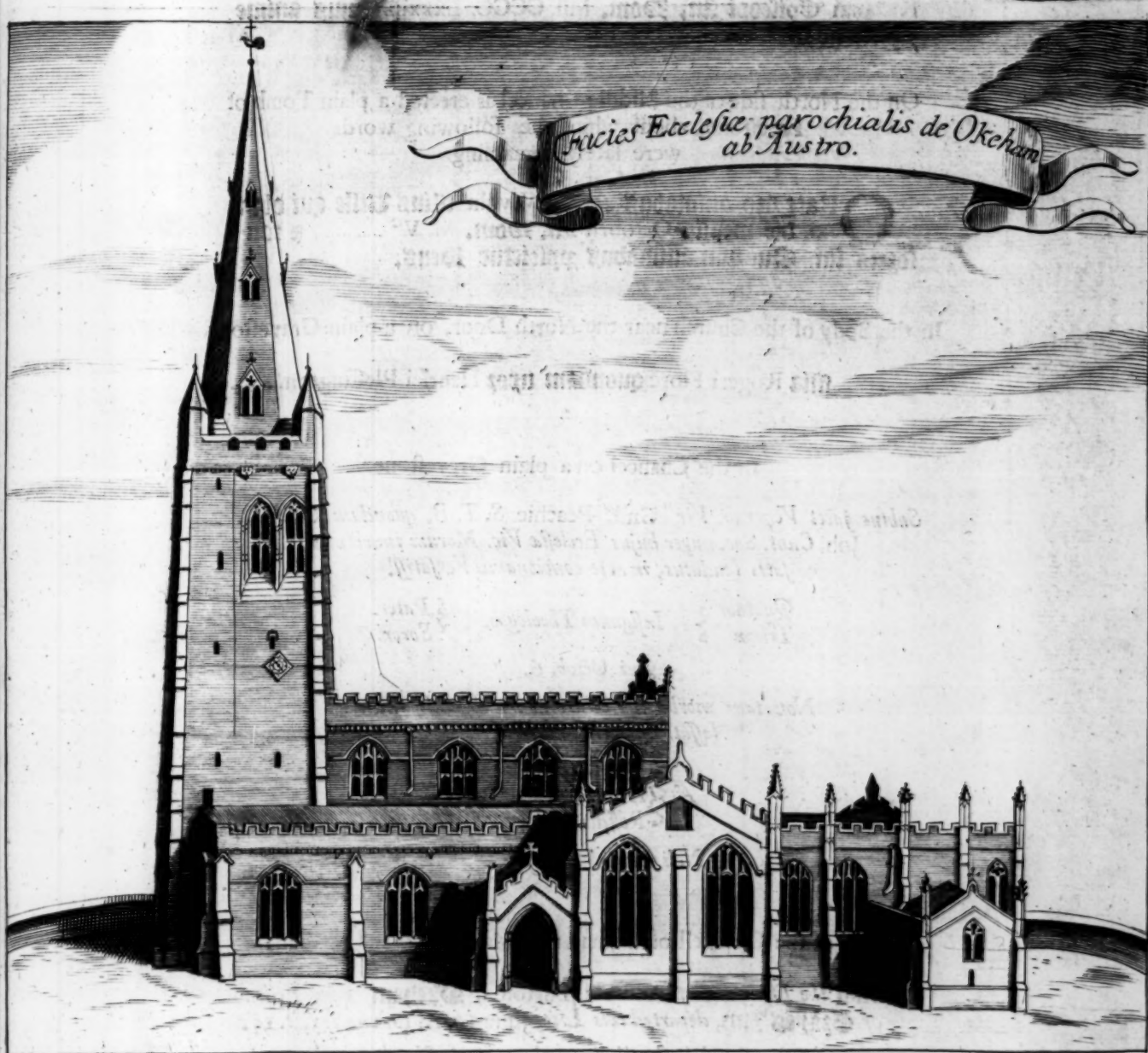
In a Chappel on the South side of the Chancel, on a Plate of Brass fixt in a Marble Gravestone.

Sub hoc marmore requiescit cumulat^{us} **Francisc. Waryn de Okeham Mercator Staple Wille Callec. filius Williel. Waryn** hic coram isto altare beate Mariæ Sepulti qui quidam **Franciscus** duxit in uxorem **Elizabetham Asheby** quondam filiam **Willielmi Asheby de Lowesby in Com. Leicest. Armigeri** qui quidam **Francisc. diem suum clausit extremum xx. die Augusti An. Dom. M. V^c x. Et An. R. R. Henrici viii. ii. cujus anime propicietur Deus.**

In the Body of the Church, about the Verge of a Gravestone.

† **H**ic sacent **Willielmus Flore & Elena Uxor ejus** qui quidam **Willielmus obiit primo Septuagesimo nono quorū animabus propicietur Deus, Amen.**

Near



Near the North building, on a Gravestone adorn'd with
Brass Plates and Sculpture.

Hic jacet Thomas Flore quondam de Okeham Armiger qui
quidem Thomas obiit die Lunæ prima post festum S.
Nicholai Episcopi An. Dom. Mil. CCCC. Lxxxiii. ejus anime
ppicietur De⁹. Amen.

On the North side of the Middle Chancel is erected a plain Tomb of
Freestone, about which the following words
were lately remaining.

ORate pro animabus Wyght istius Ville qui obiit
xi. die mensis Octobris An. Dom. M. V^c & con-
sotis sui, Quorum animabus ppicietur Deus.

In the Body of the Church near the North Door, on a plain Gravestone.

.....Alia Rogeri Flore quondam uxoz Henrici Pleffington.....

In the Chancel on a plain Gravestone.

*Subtus jacet Venerab. Vir Guil. Peachie S. T. B. quondam Coll. D.
Joh. Cant. Soc. nuper hujus Ecclesie Vic. Morum innocentia
satis laudatus, in arte concionandi Versatiss.*

Quatuor } Insignum Theologor. { Pater.
Trium } { Soror.

Qui Ob. 6.

*Non tam morbo confectus, quam vivendi tedio
lassatus, placide expiravit.*

*Dom. 1643.
A^o 78.
Residentie, 47.*

Noli vexare : Quiescit.

South of the Chancell on a small neat Monument, in the Wall.

*Ann the Daughter of Andrew Burton of Okeham, Esq; Fellow
of Grays Inn, departed this Life, June 19. A. D. 1642. Æt. 15.*

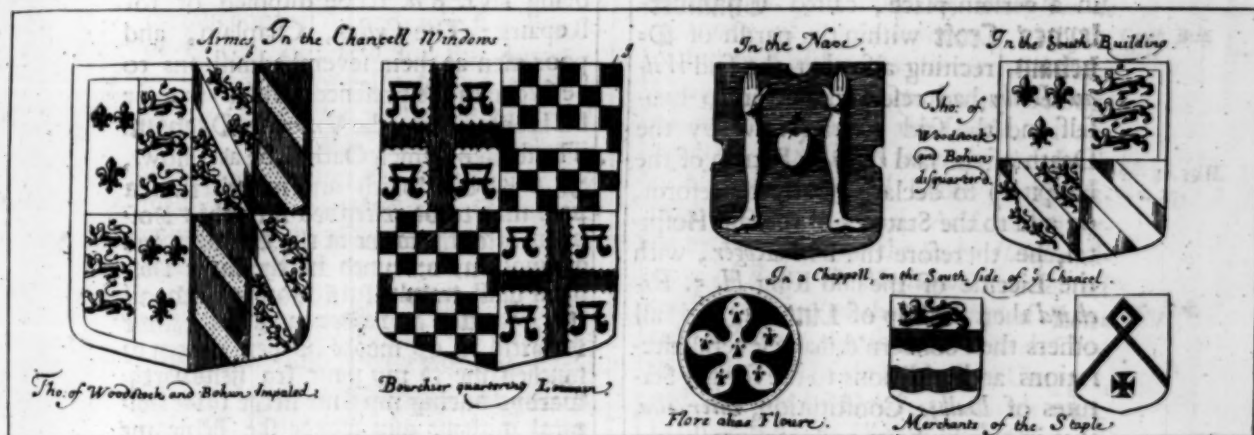
*Reader stand back; dull not this marble Shrine
With irreligious breath: the Stone's divine,
And does inclose a Wonder; Beauty, Wit,
Devotion, and Virginity with it.
Which like a Lilly fainting in its prime,
Wither'd and left the World; deceitful Time
Crop'd it too soon: and Earth the self same Womb
From whence is sprung, is now become its Tomb.
Whose sweeter soul, a Flower of matchless price;
Transplanted is from hence to Paradise.*

Andreas & Anna Mæstiff. Parentes, P P.

On

On a plain Monument or Memorial, lately erected
This Inscription.

IN memory of John Booth of this Parish, Gent. who departed
this Life, Apr. 1. An. Dom. 1649. and of Mabella his Wife,
only sister to Andrew Burton, Esq; who also departed this Life,
on the 6. day of March, An. Dom. 1656.
Death is to us a New Life.



Of the Market, and Fairs, here.

Rot. Pat. 36
H. 3. m. 10.

King Henry the 3d. by his Charter dated at Westminster, the 5th. day of June in the 36 year of his reign, granted to his beloved Brother Richard Earl of Cornwall, and to his heirs by his Wife Sanchia Daughter of the Earl of Provence, that they should have, at their Mannour of Okeham in the County of Rutland, two Merkates weekly, viz. one on the Monday, and the other on the Saturday: And two Fairs there yearly, viz. one on the Vigil-day, and Morrow, of the Decollation of St. John Baptist (Aug. 29.) the other on the Vigil, Day, and Morrow, of the invention of the Holy Cross (May 3.) Nisi mercata illa, & feria illa sint ad nocumentum, &c.

Esq. 38, 39 H. 6.
n. 37.

But it seems in process of time, the Monday Mercate, and one of the Fairs were discontinued or grown out of use. For in the Inquisition taken after the death of Humphrey Duke of Bucks, in the 39 H. 6. There is mention made only of one Merkate here weekly on the Saturday, and one Fair on the Feast of the decollation of St. John Baptist yearly; the profits whereof were then valued at 14 s. per annum.

Of the Old Hospital in Okeham.

OF the Hospital of St. John and St. Anne in this Town, I find that King Richard 2d. in the 22th. year of his Reign gave License to William Dalby of Ectone to found and establish a certain Hospital at Okeham, to consist of two Chaplains, whereof one to be Custos and perpetual; the other removeable, and of twelve poor men, to pray for the good estate of the said King and Isabel his Queen, and after their Decease for their Souls; and for the Soul of Anne his late Queen deceased, and for the late King, and Queens souls, for the good Estate of the said William Dalby and Agnes his Wife, and after their decease for their souls, and the souls of all the Faithful deceased; with License to the said William Dalby to give and assign to the said Hospital, one Messuage and two acres of Land; with License also to give and assign the Advowson, Patronage, and Collation, of the said Hospital to the Prior and Covent of St. Anne of the order of Carthusians near Coventry, being of the said Kings Foundation; with License also to the said Prior and Covent to give and assign out of their possessions a yearly Rent of 40 l. to the Custos of the

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the said Hospital for the maintenance of the said *Custos*, and twelve poor men, and their successors for ever.

*Ex Autogr.
penes Vic. de
Okeham.*

After this, in the year 1421 (1 H. 5.) *Roger Flore* of *Okeham* Esquire (who had married *Catherine* Daughter and heir of the said *William Dalby*) reciting the foundation of the said Hospital according to the above specified License in a certain place, called *Chamber-levnes Croft* within the parish of *Okeham*, reciting also that the said *William Dalby* had reserved power to himself and the said *Roger* (now by the Death of the said *William* Patron of the Hospital) to declare, correct, reform, or add to the Statutes of the said Hospital, he therefore the said *Roger*, with the License of the said King *H. 5. Richard* then Bishop of *Lincoln*, and all others then concern'd, made several alterations and additions to the former Statutes of *Dalbys* Constitution, *inter alia*, that in case his heirs or Successors should at any time be negligent and remiss in bestowing the respective places of the *Custos*, Chaplain, or twelve poor men (any of the said places being void by death, removal, or otherwise) that then the power, *illa vice*, of conferring the said places shall devolve to the Vicar of the parish Church of *Okeham*, so also in case the heir of the said *Roger* the Patron, shall at that time happen by reason of his Nonage to be in Ward; in case the said Vicar of *Okeham* be negligent, or in parts beyond the Seas, then the said power to remain, *ill a vice*, to the Abbot and Convent of *Westminster*, Proprietaries of the said Church of *Okeham*, and in case at that time the Abby of *Westminster* be void of an Ab-

bot, the said power to remain to the Abbot of *Osleweston* in *Com. Leic.* The aforesaid Rent of 40 *l. per an.* to be thus distributed, to the *Custos* 6 *l. 13 s. 4 d. per an.* to the Chaplain 5 *l. per an.* to each poor man 10 *d. ob. per week*, To the Vicar of *Okeham* 35 *s. 4 d. per an.* for a composition late made and confirmed by the Bishop: The residue being 16 *s. 8 d.* to be disposed of for Repairs: The *Custos*, Chaplain, and poor men at their several admissions to be sworn in the presence of the Patron or his Deputy, and the Vicar of *Okeham*. The form of which Oath to be as follows, *I. A. B. The which am named into a poor man to be receyved into this Hospital after the forme of the Statutes and ordanacions ordeyned in the same Hospital shall trewly fulfille and observe all the Statutes and ordanances of the saide Hospital in as moche as pepy longen or touchen me to my pour fro hensborth wardys during my time in the saide Hospital without ony frande for helpe me God and my Holpdom and by these holy Evangelies the which y touche and ley my honde upon.*

In the 26 H. 8. this Hospital was valued at 12 *l. 12 s. 11 d.* But in *Speeds* *Mon. Ang. 1. Vol. 1043.* Catalogue it is not valued.

This Hospital is still in being, but the present Governors pretend it to be of a new foundation and Patronage.

In the Chappel Windows, North side.

Orate pro bono statu Williel. Grafford & Ellene consortis sue.

Orate pro bono statu Henerici Bell Et Isabelle consortis sue.

In the Hall Windows at the Old Hospitall.



Of the New Hospital, and School
in **Dkeham**.

ABout the year 1584. **Robert Johnson** Parson of North **Luffenham** in this County, and Archdeacon of **Leicester**, by his charitable Collections (or as *Cambden* calls it, *è Stipe Collaticia*) and more especially, out of certain conceal'd Lands, which he begg'd of **Queen Elizabeth** for this purpose, built and endowed a second Hospital in this Town by the name of *Christs Hospital*, and a free School; concerning which (long after the foundation) he made certain Statutes and Ordinances containing,

1. That there be twenty four Governours; of which the Bishops of **London**, and **Peterborough**, the Deans of **Westminster**, and **Peterborough**, the Archdeacon of **Northampton**, the Masters of Trinity and St. **Johns** Colledges in **Cambridge**, to be perpetual, and without election, the rest to be elected by the Major part of the then Governours, out of the Neighbouring Gentry or beneficed Clergy.

2. That the School-master be a Master of Arts at the time of his Election, his stipend 24 *l. per An.* that the same person be Warden of the Hospital, for which he is to receive 6 *l. per An.* more.

3. That there be an Usher, his salary 12 *l. per An.* that the said Usher be Sub-VVarden in the Hospital, and read prayers twice a VWeek in the Chappel, for which 3 *l. per An.* more.

4. That there be fifteen poor men and a VVoman, of which number eight to be Townsmen, their stipend, each 3 *l. per An.*

5. Seven Schollers to be chosen to receive each an exhibition of 40 *s per An.* at the University for seven years, if they so long continue there.

6. That there be a Receiver of the Revenues &c. his stipend 5 *l. per An.* and that there be two Audits *per An.* and that each Governour then present ceive 4 *s. 4 d.* for his Dinner, and Gloves.

VVhich Statutes and Ordinances are dated, *June 17. 1. Car: 1.*

The same **Johnson** founded also at **Uppingham**, another Hospital and Free School; both which foundations, as

well that there as this here, have the same Patron, the same Governours, the same indowments, and the same Statutes, *mutatis mutandis*. See more in **Uppingham**.

Of the CASTLE.

THe Castle at **Dkeham**, saith *Cambden*, was built by *Walkeline de Ferrais*, of whom before.

In this Castle was formerly a Free Chappel, the Patronage of which belonged to the Lords of the Castle, as appears by Inquisition taken on the death of **Humphrey Stafford** Duke of **Buckingham**, *An. 39. H. 6.* And accordingly in the 32 *H. 3.* the Lady *Isabella* widow of **Roger de Mortuomari** presented to **Robert Grosted** then Bishop of **Lincoln**, *Richard* the son of *Hugh de Cliva* to be her Chaplain in the said Chappel, and this was by Deed, to which were Witness *John de Watton* then Prior of **Brook**, *William de Bellocampo*, *James de Bellocampo*, *Henry de Mortuomari*, *Gilbert de Meinell*, *Henry de Bevil*, *Henry de Murdac*, and others.

In the 46 *H. 3.* the King of the **Almains** or **Romans** presented to the same.

In the 17 *E. 1.* **Edward E.** of **Coynwall** presented to this Chappel, then void by the death of *William Dixi*. The profits or revenue of which, was at that time thus valued, and did consist in 50 *s.* which the Chaplain received out of the Chamber of the said Earl, also in two Marks and a half, which he received from the Market of **Dkeham**, and in the Tithes of the Earls Pasture grounds, which one year with an other; amounted to one Mark, also in the Obventions accruing to the said Chappel in the absence of the Earl and his Countess, also in the Tithes of the wool; Lamb; and Milk of six Cottagers, and lastly in (*uno honesto Domicilio*) one convenient house in the Town of **Dkeham**.

In the 47 *E. 3.* This Castle being then in the Crown, upon the death of **Humphrey de Bohun**, that King granted his Prieccept to **Simon Ward** then Keeper of this Castle, to pay to **Nicholas de Stoke** parson of the Chappel here, the yearly Rent of eight Marks, 7 *s. 1 d. ob.* and four Loads of Wood, accustomedly paid to the said Parson and his predecessors time out of mind.

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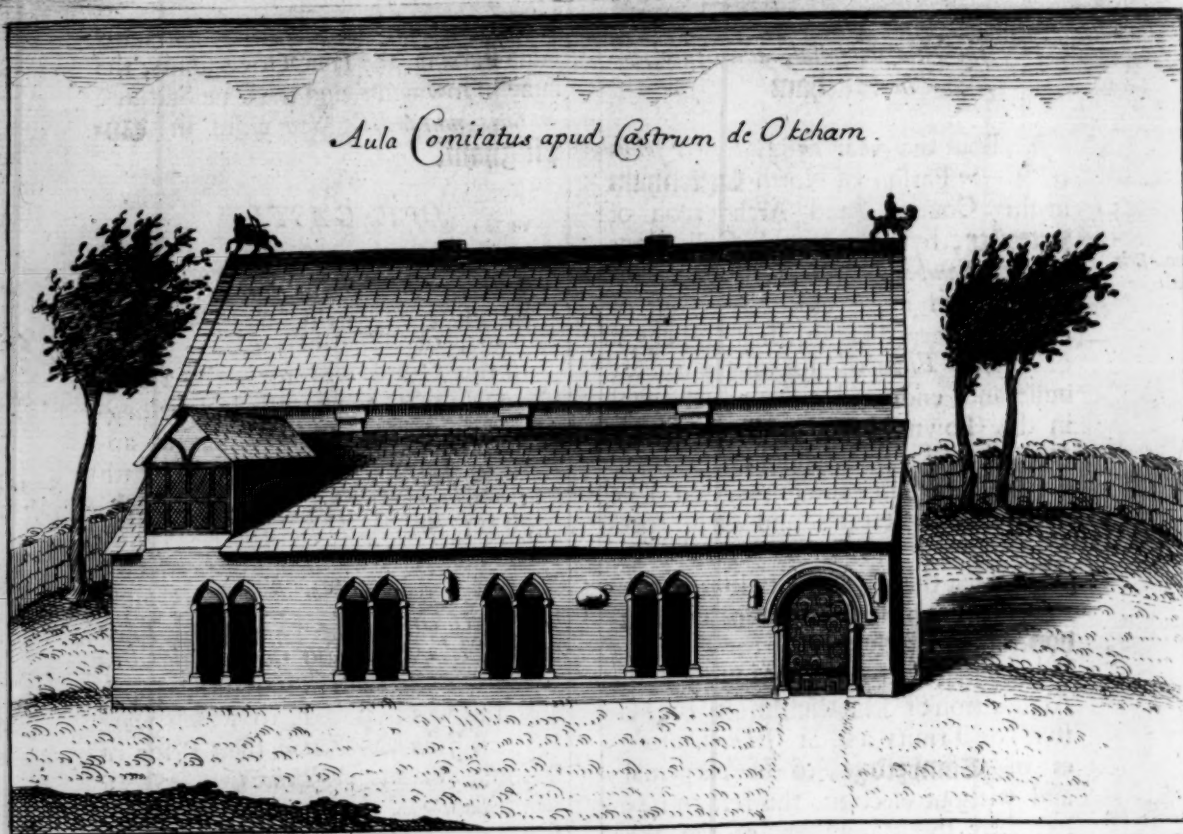
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Ibid.

Ibid.

Rot. Pat. 47
E. 3. m. 28.



The Lord of the Castle and Mannour of **Okeham** for the time being, claims by prescription a Franchise or Royalty very rare, and of singular note; viz. That the first time that any Peer of this Kingdom shall happen to pass through the Precincts of this Lordship, he shall forfeit, as a Homage, a Shoe from the Horse, whereon he rideth, unless he redeem it with money. The true Original of which custome I have not been able on my utmost endeavour, to discover. But that such is, and time out of mind hath been, the Usage, appears by several Monumental Horseshoes, (some gilded and of curious Workmanship) nail'd upon the Castle Hall Door.

Some of which Horseshoes are stamp'd with the names of those Lords who gave 'em, with the times when given, as follows;

Henry Lord Mordant, 1602.
Edward Lord Dudley.
William Earl of Pembroke.
Phillip Earl of Montgomery.
Henry Lord Montegle, 1607.
Henry Lord Clifford, 1607.
Lancelot Andrews Lord B. of Ely, 1614.
Lord Noel, 1617.

Henry Earl of Huntingdon, 1620.
Ferdinando Lord Hastings, 1621.
John Lord Vaughan, 1621.
Spencer Lord Compton, 1621.
Thomas L. Cromwell Vic. Le Gale, 1631.
Nicholas Earl of Banbury, 1655.
John L. Bellasis Bar. of Wobley, 1667.

With many others; some of later date, and some more antient, whose inscriptions are now hardly legible.

To the Lords Court, held within the Castle of **Okeham**, several Towns, as well in this County as in **Leicestershire**, owe suit; namely **Braunston**, **Belton**, and **wardly** in **Rutland**, and **Twisford** and **Thorpe-Sachville** in **Leicestershire**.

I read in *Stows Survey of London*, Stows Surv. Lond. f. 570. of a Lord Mayor of that City, born here: viz. Sir **John Brown**, otherwise called **John de Werks**, Mercer, Son of **John Brown of Okeham in Rutlandshire**, and Lord Mayor of **London**, in the year 1481. (21 E. 4.) The Armes ascribed to him are, az. a Cheveron between three Escollop Shells Or, within a Bordure ingraled

Idem.
Reg. in Offic. Armor.
grated Gules. I find in the same Author that he dyed Anno. 1497. and was buried in the Church of St. Mary Magdalen in Milk-street. Whose Son, Sir William Brown Knight, was twice Lord Mayor of the said City 23 H. 7. and 5 H. 8. and had issue by Margaret daughter of Sir Edmund Shaa Knight, his first Wife, William Brown his Son and heir, and by his second VVife Alice Daughter of Sir Henry Kceble Knight, John Brown whose posterity remain'd for many years seated at ~~Horton~~-Kirby in the County of ~~Kent~~.

Let me also remember another man of remark, who was born here in this last Age, and the rather because Dr. Fuller, in his book called the VVorthies of England, hath already placed him in the List of memorable Persons, tho he knew but little of his Story. It is Jeoffrey Hudson the Dwarf, memorable on several Accounts. He was the Son of one John Hudson, a person of very mean Condition, but of a lusty Stature and and so were all his Children, except this Jeoffrey, born in the year 1619. Being above seven years old, and scarce eighteen inches in highth, he was taken in to the Family of the late Duke of Buckingham at ~~Burly~~ on the Hill, in this County, as a Rarity of Nature: And the Court being about that time in Progress, there, he was served up to the Table in a cold Pye. After the Marriage of King Charles the first with the excellent Princess Henrietta Maria of France, he was presented to that Queen, and became her Dwarf; and being sent over into France to fetch the Queens Midwife, in this Journey he was taken at Sea by a Flemish Pirate, and carryed Prisoner into ~~Dunkirk~~: Of which captivity there is in Print a very pleasant Poem consisting of three Canto's, writ

by Sir William Davenant, and call'd Jeoffreidos. Afterwards, when the Rebellion broke out he became a Captain of Horse in the Kings service, till he went over with his Royal Mistress into France: during his abode there it was his unhappiness to kill Mr. Crofts (Brother to the Lord Crofts) in a Combat on horseback; for which he was expell'd the Court. After this he was a second time taken Prisoner at Sea, but that was a much more fatal Captivity than the first. It was a Turkish Pirate that took and carried him to Barbary, where he was sold, and remain'd a slave for many years. Being at last redeem'd, he came into England, and lived in these parts on certain Pensions allowed him by the Duke of Buckingham, and other Persons of Honor, for several years. But occasions causing him to remove and abide at London, he was there in the late troublesome times, which began in the year 1678; and being known to be a Roman Catholick, he was taken and clapt up in the Gate-House, where he lay a considerable time; from whence being at last enlarged, he lived not long after, and died about two years ago. But that which in my opinion seems the most observable is what I have heard himself several times affirm, that between the 7th. year of his Age and the 30th he never grew any thing considerable, but after thirty he shot up in a little time to that highth of stature which he remain'd at in his old age, viz. about three foot and nine Inches. The cause of this he ascribed (how truly I know not) to the hardship, much labour, and beating, which he endured when a Slave to the Turks. This seems a Paradox, how that which hath been observed to stop the growth of other persons, should be the cause of his. But let the Naturalists reconcile it.

PICKWORTH.

Pickworth (formerly a Town, and Parith, of which nothing remains at this day but a Steeple, now known by the Name of *Mockbegger*) stands in the East hundred. Of this place I find no mention in *Domesday Book*, it belonging possibly, at that time (as a member) to some other Neighbouring Town, but to which I cannot say.

Nom. Vill. in Scacc.

Claus. 29 E. 1. m. 13. dorfo.

M. S. Wingf. Bodenham, mil. f. 83.

Id. ib.

In the 9th. year of King E. 2. Roger de Geneje was Lord of **Pickworth**: The same Roger de Gyneto (no doubt) who in the 29 E. 1. received the Kings writ of Summons to attend him at **Berwick** on the Feast of the Nativity of St John Baptist, well fitted with Horse and Armes, from thence to march against the Scots. In which name this Estate continued till the Reign of Hen. 6. at which time, John Geneje, Kt. then Lord of this Mannour, by his Testament dated on the Feast of St. Hilary the Confessor An. Domini 1422. did bequeath his body to be buried among the Friars Augustines in **Borwich**, neer to the Sepulcher of Roger his Son, and by the same will devised his Mannour of **Pickworth** in the County of **Rutland**, to be sold by his Executors, presently after his death, to Henry Inglose Knight for 1000 Marks of Silver. Which Will was proved, 5 Nov. 1433.

The said Sir Henry Inglose being accordingly posselt of this Lordship, made his Testament on the 20th. of Jan. 1451. and by the same order'd his body to be buried in the Presbitery of the Priory of St. Faiths at **Borham**, neer **Amicia** his Wife, to the Prior and Canons of **Ingham** he bequeathed 20 s. to Henry his Son all his sheep at **Askeby** (Com. Suff.) To his Son Robert one Basen and Ewre of Silver, &c. and devised his Mannour of **Pickworth** (Com. Rutel.) to be sold: Which Will was proved, 14 July, 1451. (29 H. 6.)

Afterwards this Lordship came into the possession of Sir John Hussy the first and last Baron of that name created by King H. 8. who builded himself a fair Seat at **Sleford** in the County of **Lincoln**. Which said Baron was executed at **Lincoln** in the year 1537. for high Treason, he having been ingaged in the Commotion of the Commons rais'd in **Lincolnshire**, the preceding year, on the account of Religion. Whereupon this Estate Escheated to the Crown: and accordingly I find in the 3 E. 6. *Thomas Astewood* the Kings Bayly accounted in the Augmentation Office for the Rents of **Pikeworth-Infield** and **Pikeworth Outfield**, then in the Kings hands, by reason of the attainder of Sir John Hussy Lord Hussy of high Treason, the sum of 38 l. 7 s. 4 d.

Camb. Brit. Linc. p. 535.

Comp. in Office Augm. pro Com. Rutland. 3 E. 6.

Certain Lands in this Lordship did formerly belong to the Monastery of **Olveston** in Com. **Leicest.** for I find in the account of *Jeoffrey Radcliffe* the Kings Receiver in that County 28 H. 8. that the said Accountant did, among other parcels belonging to the said Monastery, account for the sum of 13 s. 4 d. for the farm of one Pasture called *Abbots Stocking* in the fields of **Pykeworth** in the County of **Rutland cum suis pertinent.** also certain Lands called **Withawe Pitts** with fifteen acres of Land and Pasture late demised to Sir John Hussy Knight for fifty years, by Indenture under the Seal of that Covent, dated 11 Jan. 15 H. 8.

Comp. in Office Augm. pro Com. Leic. 28 H. 8.

It was found by Inquisition taken at **Okeham** 22 Mar. 13 Jac. after the Death of John Lord Harrington the Elder, that the said Lord dyed seized (*inter alia*) of **Pickworth**, alias **Pickworth Stocking**.

Esch. 14 Jac. par 2. n. 116.

The present Lord of this Estate is the right honourable John Earl of **Essex**.

ADVOW.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 11th. year of H. 3. *William de Gifneto* presented to the Church of **Pikeworth**. So also in the 19th. year of that King.

Ibid.

In the 12th. year of E. 1. *William* Son of *Thomas de Deggeville*, Clerk,

was presented to the Church of **Pikeworth**, by *Thomas* then Lord of that Mannour.

In the 19 E. 1. *Roger de Gynney* presented to the Church of **Pikeworth**. Ibid.

The Rectory of **Pikeworth** is valued in the Kings Books at, 4l. 0s. 0d.

The Patron of the Sine-Cure is the Earl of **Exeter**.

P I L T O N.

LYes in the hundred of **Wangdike**. Of this Town is no mention in *Domesday* Survey, it being, no doubt, at that time surveyed as a member to some other Neighbouring Town, but to which I cannot learn.

Nom. Vil. in Scacc.

In the Reign of E. 2. *Thomas Beauchamp* Earl of **Warwick** was Lord of **Piltone**.

The Present Lord of this Mannour is *John Digby* of North-Luffenham, Esq;

Of the ADVOWSON.

IN the 36 E. 1. *William de Offington* presented to the Church of **Pilton**. Reg. Linc.

The Rectory of **Pilton** is valued in the Kings Books at, 4l. 17s. 2d.

The present Patron is *John Digby* Esq; Lord of the Mannour.

P R E S T O N.

PReston lves in the Hundred of **Martinsly**, a full mile North of **Uppingham**; and tho it be a Parish of itself, yet it is part of the same Mannor with **Uppingham**, to which Town (so far as I can discover) it hath always been joyned in the possession of the same Lords. See **Uppingham**.

Of this Town I can find no mention in *Domesday* Book, no more than of **Uppingham**, they both being no doubt, two of those seven Berews, or Hamlets, which in those days belong'd to **Bedlinestone Cerche**.

Of the ADVOWSON.

IN the 23 H. 3. Sir *Peter de Montfort* Knight presented to the Church of **Preston**. Reg. Linc.

In the 4 E. 1. the Lady *Alice*, Widdow of Sir *Peter de Montfort* presented to the said Church. Ibidem.

The Rectory of **Preston** is valued in the Kings Books at, 9l. 17s. 4d.

The Present Patron is *Edward Fawkes*, Esq;

RIDLINGTON.

*Domesday Tit.
Rote.*

L Yes in the Hundred of **Martinsay**. In **Redlincune** *Cherchesoch* with seven Berews or Hamlets thereunto belonging, Queen **Edid** at the Conquest, held four Carucates of Land as it was rated to the Tax or Geld. The Land was sixteen Carucates. Here at the time of *Domesday* survey the King held four Carucates in Demesne, and a hundred and seven Villains, and twenty six *Bordarii*, having thirty Carucates, and two Sockmen having two Carucates: Here were then two Priests and three Churches, and two seats or places for Mills, and fourty Acres of Meadow, a Wood (*per loca pastilis*) three Miles in length and eight furlongs in breadth. All which in the time of King **Edward** was valued at 40*l*. This whole Mannour with the said Berews, was then accounted three Miles and seven furlongs long, and two miles and two furlongs broad.

Nom. Vill.

In the 9 E 2. **Robert de Hoyland** and **John de Wynill** were Lords of **Ridlington**,

*Rot. Pat. 1, 2.
P. M. pars 12.*

In the 1. and 2. P. and M. **Christopher Smith** obtain'd License dated 17th. May to alienate his Mannour of **Ridlington** in **Com. Rutland** with the appurtenances late parcell of the Possessions of the Duke of **Richmond**, to Sir **John Harrington** Knight. And accordingly it was found by inquisition taken at **Okeham** 22 Mar. 13 Jac. that **John Lord Harrington** the elder dyed 24 August 11 Jac. seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Ridlington**, and that he held the same of the King in Soccage by Fealty, and the Rent of 12*s*. and one pound of Pepper yearly. In which Family this Mannour continued till it was conveyed by the Sisters and Coheirs of **John** last Lord **Harrington**, to Sir **Edward Noel** then residing at **Book** in this County, which Sir **Edward Noel** being made a Baronet (the 34th. in number) upon the first erection of that honour, was a person of so great esteem and merits, that on the 23th. of March, 17 Jacobi, he was advanced to the de-

*Esch. 14. Jac.
pars 2. n. 116.*

*Rot. Fin. M.
12 Jac.*

gree and dignity of a Baron of this *Bar. Eng. 2.* Kingdome, by the title of Lord Noel of *Vol. 435.* **Ridlington** in **Com. Rutland** (* which ** Hows contin. of Stows Chron. f. 1027.* honour he received from the King at **Bury** in this County) and having married **Julian** eldest of the Daughters and Coheirs of Sir **Baptist Hicks** Knight and Baronet, upon the advancement of the said Sir **Baptist** to the titles of Lord **Hicks** of **Ilmington** in **Com. Warwick**, and Vicount **Campden** of **Campden** in **Com. Glouc.** 5 May, 4 Car. 1. obtain'd a grant of the said honours to himself and the heirs Males of his Body in Reversion, in case the said Sir **Baptist** should dye without issue male; which titles afterwards he did accordingly enjoy. This worthy Lord approving himself alway most loyal to his Majesty King **Charles** the first in the times of the late Rebellion, departed this life in the Kings Garrison at **Oxford**, 10 Mar. 1643. and is buryed at **Campden** abovemention'd, leaving **Baptist** his Son and Heir, Lord Vicount **Campden**, Baron of **Ridlington** and **Ilmington** (and since his Majesties Restauration) Lord Lieutenant of this County of **Rutland**) who in like manner with his Father, proving faithful to his late Majesty in the grand defection of those times, raised and maintained at his own Costs, a Troop of Horse and a Company of foot in the Kings service, at his then Garrison of **Beaver**; and departed this life at **Exton** in this County, Oct. 29. 1682. To whose hereditary honours succeeded his Son and Heir **Edward** at that time Lord Lieutenant of the County of **Southampton**, Warden of **Newforest**, and Governour of **Portsmouth**, who, by his Majesties special favour, was summon'd to the House of Lords in Parliament during his Fathers life, by the name of **Edward Lord Noel of Titchfeild**; and soon after his Fathers death created Earl of **Sainsborough**, in **Com. Lincoln**. and Lord Lieutenant of this County, and *Custos Rotulorum*, of the same.

Noel

Noellus Dominus de Elen-
hall in Com. Staff.

I
Robertus qui fundavit
Cenobium de Raunton
in Com. Staff. temp. H. 2. — Alicia

I
Thomas Noel, Dominus
de Elenhall & Raunton
fil. & b.

I
Philippus Noel, de
Hilcot Com. Staff.
f. 2.

I
Robertus Noel. — Johanna f. Johannis
Acton, mil.

Philippus Noel, de Cestford
vixit 52 H. 3.

I
Philippus Noel, de Cest-
ford & Newbold.

I
Philippus Noel, ob. — Cecilia vixit
ante patrem. 12 E. 2.

I
Thomas Noel. — Alicia f. & b. Henrici
de Wyverston.

Williclmus Noel, de Newbold.

I
Richardus Noel, de Newbold.

I
Thomas Noel, — Jana f. Rogeri Draycot de Panesley
de Newbold. in Com. Staff. Ux. 2.

Robertus Noel, de — Matilda f.
Hilcot, & E. 4. Brexeton.

Jacobus Noel, — ... f. Pool de Lang-
de Hilcot. ley in Com. Derb.

Robertus Noel
de Hilcot in
Com. Staff. f. 1.

Arthurus Noel,
f. 2.

Andreas Noel, de
Dalby in Com.
Leicest.

Eliza. f. & b. Willielmi Hopton
de Hopton in Com. Salop, vidua
Johannis Perient militis. Ux. 2.

Andreas Noel, de Dalby —
miles, ob. 1607.

Mabella f. Jacobi Harington de
Exton in Com. Rutl. mil.

Henricus Noel,
ob. 1596

I
Edwardus Noel, mil. & Bar.
Dominus Noel de Ridling-
ton. Vicecomes Campden.

I
Juliana f. & cob. Baptiste Hicks
mil. Vicecomitis Campden ob.
25 Nov. 1680.

I
Carolus Noel, mi.
ob. 1619.

I
Arthurus Noel.

I
Alexander Noel, ar.

I
Maria Sor. Galfredi
Palmer mi. Ator-
nati Generalis.

Eliz. f. & cob. Tho.
Dom. Wotton.

I
Baptista Vicecomes
Campden ob. 1682.

I
Elizabetha f. Monticuti
Comitis de Lindsey.

I
Henricus Noel,
ob. f. p.

I
Andreas Noel, de Whit-
well in Com. Rutl. miles.

I
Edwardus Vice-
comes de
Gaithersborow.

I
Elizab. f. &
cob. Thomæ
Com. de South-
ampton.

I
Henricus
Noel,
arm.

IIII
Maria.
Juliana.
Elizab.
Hester.

I
Lindsey
ob. in
faint.

I
Baptista Noel,
de Luffenham
in Com. Rutl.
arm.

I
Johannes
Noel, ar.
ob. f. m.

I
Jacobus
ob.
1681.

IIII
Catherina.
Bridgetta.
Penelope.

Wriothsley-Baptist Dominus Campden.

Etc. 23 H. 8.

It was found by Office taken in the 23 H. 8. that *John Calcot* held two Messuages and three Cottages with their appurtenances in **Bidlington** of the King, as of his Mannour of **Wzelton**, but by what services they knew not.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

In the 5 H. 3. *William de Cantilupo*

presented to the Church of **Bidlington**.

In 42 H. 3. the Lady *Alice de Mont-* Reg. Linc.
fort presented to the Church of **Bidlington**.

The Rectory of **Bidlington** is valued in the King Books at, 10 l. 12 s. 0 d.

The present Patron is the Right honourable *Edward* Earl of **Gainsborough**,

In the Church.

On a neat Monument erected in the North Wall of the Chancel.

Here lyeth intombed *James Harrington, Kt. and Baronet, youngest Son of Sir James Harrington of Exton, Kt. and Fraunces his first Wife one of the Daughters and Heirs of Robert Sapcots of Elton in the County of Huntingdon, Esquire, by whom he had issue sixteen Children, viz. nine Sons and seven Daughters; which said Fraunces deceased in September 1599, and the said James Harrington deceased the 2 Febr. 1613.*

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L Yes in the East hundred.
Before the Conquest *Godive*, a Widow, who became the second Wife of *Seward* Earl of **Northumberland**, gave for the health of her Soul (by the consent of King *Edward* the Confessor) **Righale**, and **Boelmezhope**, to the Abbey of **Peterborough**; but after her Death the said *Seward* obtain'd the Lordship of **Righale**, by agreement with the said Monks, to hold for his life, and after to return to the Abby.

Domesd. Nort.
n. 55.

At the Conquerours survey, *Judith* Countess of **Huntington** (who married *Waltheof* Son of the abovemention'd *Seward* Earl of **Northumberland**) held of the King one Hide and a half in **Righale**, of arable Land eight Carucates cum appendicis, in Demesne one Carucate, four Servants, ten Villains, and four Sockmen possessing four Carucates. Here were also at that time two Mills of 26 s. and a Wood of four furlongs in length,

and two in breadth. To this Mannour did then appertain **Belmezhope**, both being at that time valued at 6 l.

This estate did once belong to *Reginald* Earl of **Bollen**, who dying, King H. 3. by his Charter dated at **Abbingdon**, Aug. 22. in the 11th. year of his reign (*donec illud heredi ipsius Reginaldi reddiderimus*) gave the Mannour of **Ryhall** to *Hugh Despenfer* an eminent Baron in those days, whose Grandson, a second *Hugh*, held the said Lordship of that King in Fee farm, and in the 40th. year of the said King H. 3. was made Governor of **Mareston-Castle** (Com. **Derby**) This last mention'd *Hugh* was Father to *Hugh Despenfer* Senior, who with his Son *Hugh Despenfer* Junior, were the two great favourites of that unfortunate Prince, King *Edw. 2d.* but for ill using their power with him, were both banisht in Parliament, 15 E. 2. Notwithstanding this, the younger *Spencer* obtain'd the next year a formal revocation of that sentence

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sentence under the Kings great Seal, as also a special Protection from any disturbance whatsoever by reason thereof, and became more in favour than ever, with the Grants of many new honours and Estates, among which a new grant of this Mannour of **Bpbal**, tho not long after they both suffered the Ignominious Death of Traytors.

In the first of **Edw. 3.** **Edmund** Earl of **Kent** surnamed of **Woodstock**, second Son to King **Edward 1.** obtain'd a grant of this Mannour, of which Lordship he dyed seized, being executed for treason in the 4th. year of **Edw. 3.** leaving issue **Edmund** and **John** his Sons, both which departing this life without issue, **Joan** their Sister, then wife of Sir **Thomas Holland** Knight, was found to be the next Heir, which Sir **Thomas** dyed seized of this Mannour in right of his Wife in 35 **E. 3.** But the said **Joan** surviving, became soon after the Wife of **Edward** the **Black Prince**. The foremention'd Sir **Thomas Holland** having in his life time assumed the Title of Earl of **Kent** in his Wives right, left issue **Thomas** Earl of **Kent** his son and Heir, who after his Mothers death in the 9th. year of **R. 2.** obtain'd a special livery of all the Lands of his mothers Inheritance, among which **Bpbal**; and **Wylsendene** in this County of **Rutland**; and of the same died seized in 20 **R. 2.** leaving issue **Thomas Holland** his son and heir. Which **Thomas** was afterwards in the 21 of **Ric. 2.** created Duke of **Surrey**, tho from that great title again deposed in the 1 **H. 4.** and soon after, viz on **Wednesday** after the Feast of the **Epiphany** in the same year endeavouring a Rebellion against that King, he lost his life. After whom **Edmund** his brother succeeded in the honour and most part of the Estate, by reason of an ancient entail; which **Edmund** was killed

at the siege of **Briack** in **Normandy** 9 **H. 4.** being at that time seized of this Mannour. His Estate was afterwards divided among several heirs general, he leaving no issue of his own.

The present Lord of this Mannour is the right honourable **John** Earl of **Exeter**.

Mr. Camden tells us that in former Ages one **Tibba**, whom he calls *Minorum gentium Sancta*, was here at **Bpbal**, like a second **Diana** worshipped by **Faulkners**, as the Patroness of Hawking. But upon what authority he delivers this he expresses not. Certain it is that this **St. Tibba** was a Virgin-Anchorelle at **Godmanchester**, a Kinswoman of **Penda** King of **Mercia**, and lived in or about the year of Christ 696. Of so great Reputation for piety, that our Historical Poet **Michael Drayton**, enumerating all the Holy women amongst our Ancestors the English Saxons, writ thus,

— And to these, Saint **Tibba** let us call,
In solitude to Christ, that past her whole
delight,
In **Godmanchester** made a constant An-
chorite.
Amongst which of that house for Saints that
reckon'd be
Yet never any one more graced the same than
She.

How this Character agrees with a second **Diana**, or how Saint **Tibba** came from **Godmanchester** to be Worshipt in **Rutland**, I know not.

The Family of the **Bodenhams** have for several descents enjoy'd a Fair Estate of Freehold in this Town.

The Pedigree of which Worshipful Family is thus derived.

Id. 352.

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Id. 94.

Id. 73.

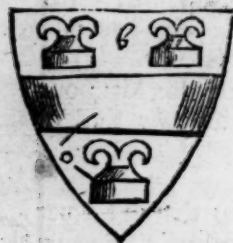
Id. 76.

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p. 110.



Hugo de Bodham Dominus de
Bodham, Com. Hereford.
Temp. Reg. Steph. & H. 2.

Rogerus de Bodham, Dom.
de Biford, fil. 3.

Walerus de Bodham,
vulg. Bodenham.

Robertus de Bodenham ob.
in Bello Baronico.

Guillelmus de Boden-
ham.

Johannes Bodenham,
mil. 31 E. 1.

Willielmus Bodenham, de Moning-
ton, Com. Heref. 15 E. 2.

Emma.

Margareta f. & b. Johannis
Ragon, Ux. 1.

Johannes Bodenham,
mil. 49 E. 3.

Isabella f. & b. Walteri
de la Bar, Ux. 2.

Johannes Bodenham,
de Monington, ob.
f. masc.

Juliana f.
Tho. Finch,
mil.

Robertus Bodenham,
de Woodchurch,
Com. Cantii.

Rogerus Bodenham de
Dewchurch, de quo Bo-
denhami, Com. Hereford.

Johannes Bodenham. — Juliana f. Tho. May.

Robertus Bodenham, fil. 2.

Rogerus Bodenham. — Margareta fil. Johannis Hales Baronis Scacc.

Willielmus Bodenham, ob. 1579. — Juliana f. Wells.

Willielmus Bodenham, m. de
Woodchurch Com. Can. &
de Ryal Com. Rotel.

Senfa f. Francisci Haring-
ton, arm.

Franciscus Bodenham,
de Ryal, mil.

Penelope fil. Edw: Wing-
feild de Kimbalton Com.
Hunt. mil.

Wingfeildus Bodenham,
de Ryal, miles.

Francisca Beaumont, f. & b.
Farnham Beaumont de
London mercatoris.

Ursula fil. Gilberti
Wigmore de Shel-
ford Com. Cantab.
S. T. D. Ux. 1.
ob. f. p.

Beaumont
Bodenham,
de Ryal, ar.
ob. Sept.
1681.

Elizabeth f. Danielis
Wigmore de Stam-
ford Com. Linc.
ar. Ux. 2.

William.

Alexander.

Penelope.

Elisabeth.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Ex Collect.
Wingf. Bod.
m. f. 45.

IN the 5 E. 3. John Bishop of Lin-
coln did certifie the Vicarage of
the Church of Ryall, (which Church
was at that time appropriated to the
Priory of St. Andrews of Northamp-

ton) to consist in the Tithes of Wool,
Milk, Lambs, Poultry, Swine, Geese,
Calves, Sheep, &c. two yard Land,
Tithes of Hay and Mills, and in a Pen-
sion of two Marks.

The Vicarage of Ryall is valued in
the Kings Books at, 13 l. 17 s. 00 d.

The Present Patron is

In the Church of Ryall.

On two handsome Monuments erected in the East end of the Chancel,
are engraved the following Inscriptions.

Ultimum Christi adventum hic expectat Gulielmus Bodenham
Eques auratus. Duas habuit Uxores, Sence filiam Francisci
Harington de South Wiltam in Com. Lincol. Armigeri unam ex
Hereditibus Matris sue Barbaræ Sutton de Gram in Com. Rott.
& Isabellam filiam Jacobi Quarlis de Wifford in Com. Northam.
armigeri. Ultimam hujus lucis usuram amisit, An. Dom. 1613.

Ultimum Christi adventum hic expectant Franciscus Bodenham
alias Bodenden Eques auratus & duæ ejus Uxores, quarum pri-
ma fuit Penelope filia Edwardi Wingfeild de Kimbalton Castle equi-
tis aurati, secunda Theodocia filia Prænobilis Francisci Domini Hast-
ings de Asby de la Zouch. Ultimam hujus lucis usuram amiserunt
Annis. 1625. 1645. 1671.

S E T T O N.

Domesd. Nort.
n. 1.

Setton lyes in the Hundred of
Wrangdike. At the general
Survey in the Conquerors time, I
find that this Town was a Member or
parcel of the Mannour of Berchedone
(or Barowdon) then held by the King,
who had in this Town, belonging to
the said Mannour, one Hide of Land
and a half, and one Bovate of Land;
six Carucates of arable, and two Acres
of Meadow. Also one Mill of 36 d.
A Wood, and Spinetum, or ground o-
ver-run with Thorns.

Ibid.

At the same time Robertus de Toleni
held in this Town (then called Sege-

tone) one Hide and one Bovate of
Land: Arable four Carucates, of which
two in Demesne, two Servants, four
Villains, and two Cottagers, with a
Priest. All which posselt one Carucate
and a half, there was also three Acres
of Meadow, and a Wood of forty per-
ches in longitude and as many in lati-
tude. But the said Robert held only a
third part of the Wood, and arable
Land. To this estate of the said Ro-
bert did appertain at that time one
yard Land in Berchedone, and four
Villains, with half a Carucate, which
had been worth 40 s. but at that time

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was

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was worth no more than 20 s.

This *Robert de Todenei* was a Noble Norman who came into **England** in the Conquerours Army, and having a large Estate given him by the Victorious *William*, for his Military service, he built **Belbote** Castle, and seated himself there: From whom the now Earl of **Rutland** does lineally descend.

The same *Robert* also founded a Priory for Monks near his said Castle of **Belboir**, and annexed it as a Cell to **St. Albans**.

Rat. de Domi-
nabus, & Pucl-
lis. 31 H. 2.

M. S. Wingf.
Bodenham. m.

In the 31. H. 2. *Alice de Beaufow* widow of *Thoms de Beaufow* was found to be at the Kings disposal; that she was the Daughter of *Walterus Oiry*, and Neece of *Alexander* the Son of *Nigel-lus*; that she was at that time 20 years of age, and that she had a Daughter her sole heir two years of Age. Her Land in **Seaton** was valued at eight Marks *per an.* with the following Stock, *viz.* two Plows, a hundred Sheep, two Beasts, five Sows, one Boar, and four Cows. For the Farm of her Land she received the first year 36 s. 10 d. and two pound of Pepper.

Nom. Vill.

In the 9 E. 2. *John de Bellafage*, (or *Beaufoe*,) *John* Son and heir of *Nicholas de Seyton*, at that time within Age,

and *William de Sancto Licio*, were Lords of **Seyton** and **Thorpe**,

Of the CHURCH.

IN the 23 H. 3. *Robert de Cycester*, *Reg. Linc.* and *Ralf de Bellafago* presented to the Church of **Seyton**.

In the 26. E. 1. *John de Bellafago* presented *William de Bellafago* to the Church of **Seyton**, then vacant on the removal of *Thomas de Bellafago*, by reason that he was infected with the Leprosie. *Idem.*

In the Church of **Seaton** is an ancient Monument, erected in an Arch in the south Wall of the Body of the Church but without any Epitath to be seen at this Day: Yet there are two Coats of Armes cut in the stone, uncoullered; The first of which is quarterly, in the first two Lioncells passant, the second Bendy of ten pieces, the third two Bars surmounted of a Bend, the fourth as the first; the other Coat is a Lyon passant Crowned.

The Rectory of **Seyton** is valued in the Kings Books at, 20 l. 7 s. 5 d.

The present Patron is *James Tryan*, Esq; Lord of this Mannour.

STOKE-DRY:

L Yes in the hundred of **Wang-dike**, and was formerly parcel of the Bishop of **Lincolns** Mannour of **Liddington**. For which *vide supra*.

Stoke in Old English signifies a Village, and it had the addition of **Dry**, by reason of its situation on the side of a Hill.

Nom. Vill.

In the reign of E. 2. *Roger de Moremode* was Lord of **Stoke-Dry**.

Camb. Brit.
Rut.

Of latter time this Town hath been the habitation of a right antient Race of the *Digbys*; which *Digbys* of **Dry-Stoke** tho formerly blemisht by *Sir Everard Digby*, drawn in (sayes *Cambden*) to the powder Treason, yet I may add it hath since been rendred famous through the Christian World, by the singular-

ly Learned *Sir Kenelm Digby* of the same family, and eldest Son of the said *Sir Everard*.

This Lordship, notwithstanding the Attainder of the said *Sir Everard* for that Treason, remains in his Posterity, by reason that the said *Sir Everard* had, long before any Treason by him committed, conveyed this and other Mannours, to the use of himself for life, and after to the use of his son and heir *Co. Rep. lib. 8. f. 165. b.* apparent in *Tayl*, with divers Remainders over to his other Children: So that when afterwards he was attainted and executed for the said Powder Treason, he being only Tenant for life, his estate remain'd to the abovemention'd *Kenelm Digby* his eldest Son, who at that time being within age, this point in

in Law arose; whether the King should have the Wardship of the Body and Lands of the said *Kenelm*, or any part of the same? they being held of the King in *Capite*? And it was resolved by the two chief Justices, and chief Baron, and the whole Court of Wards, that the King could not have the said Wardship but only where there was an heir, general or special, which in this case there

was not: The blood being corrupted, and the said *Kenelm* having no inheritable blood in him from his Father; neither was he a special heir in Tayl, by force of the Stat. of *West. 2.* but came to the Estate as a meer Purchaser: And for the same reason, had he been of Age, the King could not have had the *Primer Seisin*.



Everardus Digby, de Tilton — Jaqueta.
Com. Leic. miles.

Everardus Digby, miles. — Maria f. Johan. Heydon, mil. — Johannes Digby, de Eye Kettleby Com. Leic. de quo Digbys de Luffenham.

Kenelmus Digby, de Stoke-dry. — Anne f. Anthonii Cope de Hanwell Com. Ox. mil.

Everard Digby, de Stoke. — Maria f. & coh. Francisci Neal, vidua Sampsonis Erderswick. — Anthor. Digby, de Atton ob. f. p. — Johannes Digby, de Seaton Com. Rotel.

Everardus Digby, miles attinens An. 3. Jac. — Maria f. & h. Williel. Multho de Gothurst Com. Bucks. — George. — Johannes. — Maria vx. Roberti Wright alias Reeve de Thwaite Com. Staff. mil. — Elisabeth.

Kenelm Digby, de Go-therst Com. Bucks mil. — Venetia f. & coh. Edwardi Stanly mil. Baln. — Johannes Digby fil. 2.

Johannes Digby, Ar.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 4 H. 3. the then Prior of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England presented to the Church of **Dystoke**: And again in the 21th. year of that King.

38 H. 8. p. 7.

In the 38 H. 8. Richard Andrews obtain'd License of the King to alienate (among other things) all those Lands commonly called *Dyngly Lees* containing by estimation four acres of Land, in **Stoke Dy**, in Com. **Rot.** nuper Preceptorio de *Dyngly Spectant.* with the

Advowson of **Stoke Dy**, to *Kenelm Digby* and his heirs.

These Preceptories were Cells, or Religious houses in the Country, belonging to the Knights Templers, or Knights of St. John, subordinate to their chief mansion at **London**. Such were **Balsh** all in **Warwickshire**. **Dalby** in **Leicestershire**, **Temple-Brewer** in **Lincolnshire**, and this of **Dyngly** in **Dorsetshire**, with abundance of others throughout **England**.

The Rectory of **Dy Stoke** is valued in the Kings Books at, 11 l. 2 s. 1 d.

The Present Patron is

Monuments in the Church.

In the Nave, about the Verge of an Alabaster Tomb,
adjoyning to the South Wall.

Hic jacet Jaqueta Digbi quondam Uxor Everardi Digbi Ar-
migeri que quidem obiit vicesimo nono die mensis
Junii Anno Domini M^o. CCCC. Lxxxvi. cuius anime propiti-
etur Deus, Amen.

In a Chappel on the South side of the Chancel.

About the Verge of an Alabaster Gravestone.

Hic jacent Ricardus Digbi & Agnes uxor eius qui quidem
Ricardus obiit XVII^o. die mensis Octobris & Agnes obiit
penultimo die mensis Octobris A^o. Domini M..... CCC. sep-
tuagesimo nono, quorum animabus propicietur Deus, Amen.

In the same Chappel about the Verge of a handsome Tomb, supporting
the figure of an armed Knight.

Hic jacet Everardus Digbi Miles qui obiit undecimo die
Aprilis Anno Domini M. CCCCXL^o. cuius anime pro-
picietur Deus, Amen.

In the Chancel, adjoyning to the partition Wall of the aforesaid Chappel
about the Verge of a handsome Tomb supporting
the Images of a Man and Woman.

Here lyeth the Bodies of Kenelme Digby Esquire which Ke-
nelme deceased the 21. of April, 1590. and of Anne his
Wife which Anne deceased the

On the West end of the same Tomb are cut in the
Stone, the Arms of Digby and Cope Impa-
led, with this Word,

Nal que ung,

None but one.

STRETTON.

STRETTON.

Domesday Tit.
Rotel.

IN the Hundred of **Alstoe**, **Stratone** was at the Conquest a **Berew** or Hamlet belonging to **Overtune**, and had the same owner, *viz.* **Judith** Countess of **Puntington**, the Conquerors Neice. Yet did one **Alured** Challenge or claim, at that time, the 4th. part of **Stratone**. Before the Conquest it was posselt by **Earl Wallef**.

Nom. Vil.
in Scacc.

In the 9th. year of E. 2. the King was the immediate Lord of this Mannour.

Rot. Pipe 15
E. 2.

In the 15th. year of E. 2. **John de Rodene** the Kings Elcheator South of **Trent** did account for certain Tenements in **Stratton** in the County of **Rotel**, formerly belonging to **Nicholas de Segrave**, and which he held of **John de Segrave**, *per servicium unius Clavis Garifolii*, by the service of one Clove. The Daughter and heir of which **Nicholas de Segrave**, **Maud**, was married to **Edmund de Bohun**.

Rot. Pat. 17.
H. 6. pars 2.
m. 15.

In the reign of King **Henry 6th**. The Town and Lordship of **Stratton** did belong to **Humphrey Duke of Gloucester** that Kings Uncle, at whose Instance and request the said King by his Letters Patents dated at **Wyndesore** 24 July in the 17th year of his Reign, granted to the Tenants of his said Un-

cle in **Stratton** in **Com. Roteland**, their heirs and successors, to be for ever freed and exonerated from all tenths, and quota's of tenths, of goods and Chattells, which may or shall hereafter be granted in Parliament from the Laity. And that they shall be tax to the Fifteenth after the same manner with the Burroughs and antient Vills, demeans of the Crown. At the same time pardoning to the said Men of **Stratton** all Debts, actions, and Demands, then due to the said King.

It was found by Office taken at **Dreham** in this County on the 22 Mar. An. 13 Jac. after the death of **John Lord Harrington** the elder, that the said Lord dyed seised (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Stratton**, which he held in Socage of the Mannour of East **Greenwich**, and by the rent of 10 s. per Annum.

Esc. 14. Jaci.
pars 2. n. 116.

Of the CHURCH.

THe Rectory of **Stratton** is valued in the Kings Books at, 7 l. 17 s. 0 d.

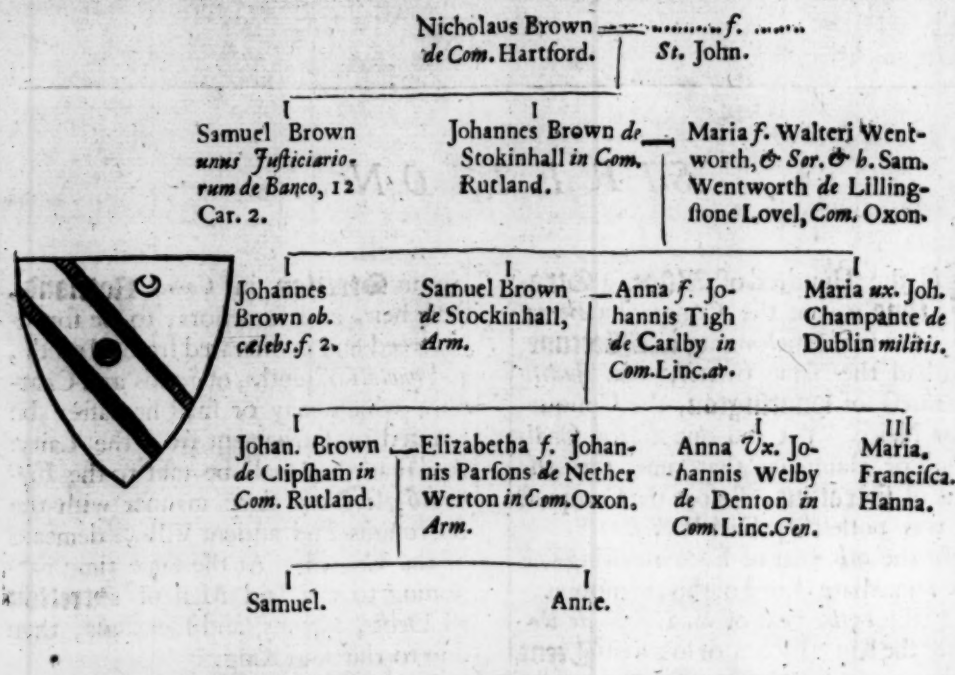
The present Patron is

Stratton Stocking.

Within the Parishes of **Stratton**, tho neer a mile distant from the Town, and on the very edge of **Lincolnshire** lyes a fair Seat called **Stocking hall**, the habitation of **Samuel Brown Esq**, who served for this County, a

Member of the House of Commons, in the Parliament which sate at **Westminster** in the 12th. year of his now Majesty (1660.) And hath been since High Sheriff of **Rutland** in the year 1677. (29 Car. 2.)

Nicholans



THISSLETON.

*Domesday Tit.
Rotel.*

IN the Hundred of *Alstoe*. At the Conquest One *Erich* (a Saxon) had here half a Carucate of Land as rated to the Geld or Tax: But afterwards when the Survey of *Domesday Book* was made, one *Hugo* the Fermour of Countess *Judith* held in this Town, then call'd *Tisfertune*, one Carucate, and six Villains having one Carucate, which estate in the time of King *Edward* was valued at 20 s. but at the said Survey at 40 s.

lb.

Here was also another Mannour possesst at the Conquest by one *Siward*, containing half a Carucate of Land as taxt to the Geld. At the Survey *Aluredus de Lincole* (the same of whom I made mention in *Stretton*) held here one Carucate and three Villains, and two *Bordarii*, having half a Carucate, this was also valued at 20 s. in the time of King *Edward*, but at the Survey at 60 s.

*claus. 29 E. 1.
m. 13.*

In the 29 E. 1. *Hugo de Buffey* Knight then Lord of this Mannour receiv'd the Kings Writ of Summons to attend him well fitted with Horse and arms at *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, from thence to march against the Scots.

*M. S. W. Bod.
mil. f. 101. b.*

In the 35 E. 1. *John Buffey* Knight then Lord of *Thistleton* divided the

said Mannour into two parts, giving one to *Nicholas* his Son, and the other, with the *Advowson* of the Church to his Son *John*.

In the 9th. of E. 2. *John de Buffey* *Nam. Vill. in Scacc.* was Lord of this Mannour.

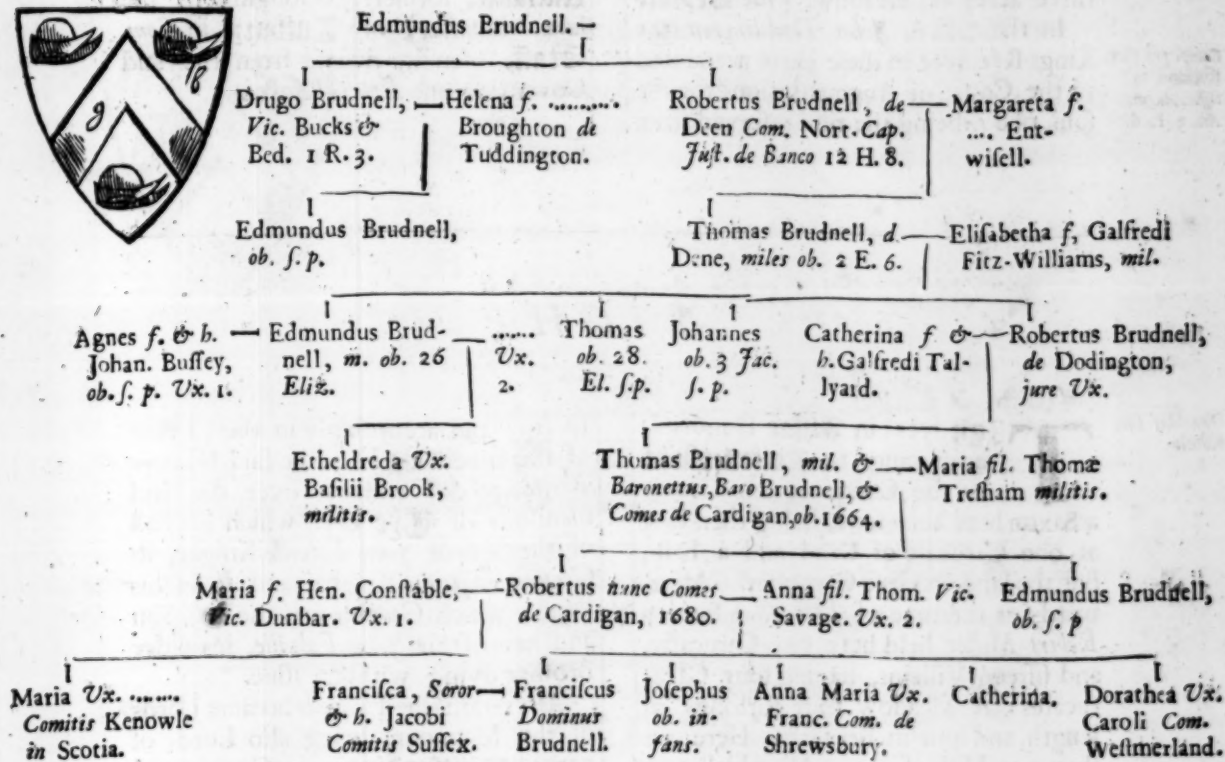
In this name and Family the Lordship of *Thistleton* continued till the 28 H. 8. In which year *John Buffey* dying without issue Male, left only one Daughter *Agnes* his sole heir, who became the Wife of Sir *Edmund Brudnell* of *Deen* (Com. *North.*) Knight; but the said *Agnes* dying without issue, her estate descended to *Anthony Meers* her next Kinsman and heir at Law, who in the 24th. *Eliz.* sold and conveyed this Mannour, together with other Lands elsewhere, which he had by Inheritance from the said *Agnes*, to the said Sir *Edmund Brudnell* and his heirs for ever.

*M. S. Wing.
Bodenham, m.
f. 102.*

It was found by Inquisition taken at *Okeham*, on the 22 March 13 Jac. that *John Lord Harrington* the elder dyed seized (*inter alia*) of two Messuages and fifty acres of Land in *Thistleton* in the County of *Rutland*, which he held in *Capite*, by the hundreth part of a Knights Fee.

*Etc. 14 Jac.
P. 2. n. 116.*

Of



Of the Church there,

IN the 13 H. 3. Lambert de Bussey pre-
sented to the Church of **Chisleton**
In the 33 H. 3. Sir Hugh de Bussey
Knight presented to the Church of
Chisleton.

In 7 E. 2. Sir John de Bussey Knight,
Son and heir of Sir Hugh de Bussey Knight,
presented Thomas de Botham his Chap-
lain to the Church of **Chisleton**, and
this was by deed dated at **Okeham**,
die Natalis Domini, An. 1313.

I find that John Dodington the Kings
Receiver in these parts 3 E. 6. accoun-

ted in the Court of Augmentations for
the sum of 20 s. going out of the Re-
ctory of **Chisleton** to the late Precep-
tory of **Temple Brewer** in Com. Lin-
coln: And also for the sum of 12 d.
going out of the said Rectory of **Chi-
sleton** to the late Preceptory of **Ding-
ley** in Com. Northampton.

The Rectory of **Chisleton** is valu-
ed in the Kings Books at, 3 l. 11 s. 0 d.

The Present Patron is

THORPE.

Thorpe, a small Village, lyes in
the Hundred of **Wragbyke**,
and in the parish of **Seaton**.
In the time of the Conquerour it was

Parcel of the Mannour **Berchedone**
(or **Barowden**) then held by the
King, who had here belonging to the
said Mannour one Hide and one yard
Land

Land, four Carucates of Arable and three acres of Meadow. *Vide Seyton.*

In the 3 E. 6. *John Doddington* the Kings Receiver in these parts accounted in the Court of Augmentations for the sum, of 8 s. being the rent reserved from

a Parcel of Tithes in **Thorpe** in *Com. Rutland*, formerly belonging to the late Monastery of **Tutbury** in *Com. Staff.* then in demise from the said Covent to one *Robert Annes.*

T I G H E.

*Domesday Tit.
Rotei.*

Tigh lyes in **Alstoe** Hundred, adjoining to **Leicestershire**. At the Conquest one *Godwin* a Saxon held this estate, being then taxt at one Carucate of Land and a half; but the land was five Carucates. Afterwards at the time of *Domesday* Survey *Robert Mellet* held here two Carucates, and fifteen Villains, having four Carucates; A Meadow four furlongs in length, and four in Breadth. Here was then one Mill of 2 s. All which was valued at that time at 4 l.

In the 29th. year of E. 1. *John de Folville* then Lord of this Mannour received the Kings Writ, commanding him to attend him well fitted with horse and armes on the day of the Nativity of St. *John Baptist*, at **Berwick** upon **Tweed**, from thence to march against the Scots. The same *John* was one of the Knights of the shire for this County of **Rutland** in several Parliaments, during the Reign of that King.

*M. S. Wihg.
Bodenham. m.*

In the 16 E. 3. *John Folville* Lord of **Abby-Folville**, granted to *William Kaythorpe* Parson of the Church of **Abby**, The Mannor of **Tye** in the County of **Rutland**, and all other Lands and Tenements, which *Alice de Forville* his Mother held in Dower, after the death of *Eustachius de Folville* his Father. Which Grant was no doubt, in trust (Clergy men appearing in those days the most proper Trustees in divers re-

spects) and accordingly in the 37 year of the same King E. 3. the said *William Kaythorpe* did convey over the said mannour of **Tye** &c. which he had of the Gift of *John Folville* Knight, to *Geoffrey Folville* Knight, and *Isabel* his Wife; which *Geoffrey* was the 2d. Son and heir of Sir *John Folville*, his elder Brother dying without issue.

Afterwards the *Helwells* became Lords of this Mannour, being also Lords of part of **North Lindsey** in this County, and **Stangby**, and **Gunby** in *Com. Linc.* all which Lordships came by match into the Family of the *Sherards*, *Thomas Sherard* of **Stapleford** Esq; having about the Reign of H. 7. married *Margaret* sole heir of *John de Helwell* Esq; Which said *Thomas* was great Grand-Father to Sir *William Sherrard* Knight, whom his late Majesty King *Charles 1st.* of blessed memory, by his Letters Patents dated 10 *Julii* in the third year of his reign, created Lord *Sherard*, and Baron of **Le Croy** in the Kingdom of **Ireland**, whose Son and heir, the right honourable *Bennet* Lord *Sherard* now living, is the present Lord of this Mannour. Whose antient discent from *Schirard*, who lived in **England** in the time of the Conqueror, and held great possessions in the Counties of **Chester** and **Lancaster**, I have here briefly Exemplify'd.

Ex Stemmate.

*Pat. 3. Car. 1.
pars 6. n. 15.*

Schirard



Schirard, *temp.* W. Conq.

Robertus filius Schirardi, *filius tertius.*

Walterus filius Roberti.

Humphredus Shirard *de Thornton Com. Cest.*

Thomas Shirard *de Thornton.* — ... f. Willielmi Lemingham.

Robertus Shirard. — ... f. Thomæ Brimingham.

Thomas Shirard, *miles.* — Johanna f. Johannis Antweffel, *mil.*

Edmundus Sherard, *fil. 2. & Maria f. Thom. Grovenor*
heres fratris sui, 12 E. 1. ob. 26 E. 1.

Willielmus Sherard. — Annabella f. Johannis Bridfall.

Willielmus Sherard. — ... f. Johannis Athton.

Willielmus Sherard, *ar.* — Elizabeth f. Thom. Venebles.

Robertus Sherard, *miles.* — ... f. & b. ... Eyton.

George Sherard, *ar.* — Johanna f. Richardi Barns *alias* Barners.

Robertus Sherard *Dom. Man-* Agnes f. & b. Laurentii Hawberk
nerii de Stapleford jure uxoris. *mil. 1 H. 6.*

Laurentius Sherard, *Vic.* — Elisabeth f. & b.
Leic. 21 H. 6. Johannis Woodford.

Iste Laurentius ortus est a
Waltero de Lacy, Dom.
de Meath, Barone de
Trim, & Comite
Viftrix.

Robertus Sherard,
de Stapleford, ob.
f. p.

Galfredus She-
rard, *Jurif.*
consultus.

Jocosa f. Thom.
Ashby de Lows-
by, 35 H. 6.

Christopher
Sherard *de*
London.

Willielmus Sherard
de Saxby, 29 H. 6.

Thomas Sherard, *de* — Margareta f. & b. Johan-
Stapl. ar. nis *de Helwell, ar.*

Robertus Sherard, *a quo*
Sherardi de Lobthorp.

George Sherard, — Robesia f. Thom. Poultney,
de Stapleford. *mil. 37 H. 8.*

Franciscus Sherard. — Anna f. Gregorii More, *Arm.*

Philippus Sherard,
mil. ob. f. p.

Willielmus Dom.
Sherard.

Abigail f. Cecil Cave, *ar.*
& coh. Anth. Bennet *ar.*

Georg. Sherard,
ob. celebs.

Bennet
Dom.
Sherard.

Elizab. f. & b.
Roberti Chri-
stopher, *mil.*

Philippus Sherard,
de Witsundine,
Ar.

Georgius.

Francis-
cus.

Henricus.

Anna Uxor
Nicho. Com.
Banbury.

Christopher. *ob.*
celebs. 1681.

Bennet.

Elizabeth.

Monuments remaining in the Church of *TIGH*.

About the Verge of an Ancient Tomb on the North side
of the Chancel.

† **H**ic jacet Dom. Willielmus Shoile Baccalarius in lege qui obiit quarto die Januarii Anno Dom. Millesimo xi. cuius anime propicietur Deus, Amen.

On a Plate of Brass fixt in a Gravestone lying in the
middle of the Chancel.

Jacobus Adamson

Natu Scotus, Anglus vitâ

Moribus Antiquis,

Cum suo Rege in prosperis & adversis,

Reſtor hujus Eccleſiæ per 31 annos.

Obiit die Martii Octavo 1661.

In the Eaſt Window of the Chancel.

Azure, 3 Maſcles, Or. Creſt a Lyoneſs.

In the Body of the Church, about the Verge of
an ancient Gravestone joyning cloſe
to the South VVall.

Hic jacet Johannes Blonfyld Anno Dom. V.
cuius anime propicietur Deus, Amen.

In the VVindow juſt over the ſame, theſe Armes.

Or, 3 Pallets, gu. a Canton, Ermine.

Of

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 33 H. 3. William de Folville Knight, presented to the Church of **Cye**, as Patron of the same.

Ibidem.

In the 10 E. 1. which was in the 3d. year of Oliver de Sutton Bishop of **Lincoln**, the Lord Edmund the Kings brother. (who bore the Title of King of **Sicily**) presented to the Church of

Cye. Which presentation, though at first opposed by the Lady Joan de Folville by reason of the Custody of Alice her Daughter, heir of William de Folville deceased, yet the said Lady soon after withdrew her Pretentions.

The Rectory of **Cighe** is valued in the Kings Books at 14 l. 2 s. 10 d:

The present Patron is the right honourable Bennet Lord Skerard.

TIKENCOTE.

Domesd. North. No. 56.

LYes in the East hundred. At the Conquerors Survey, Grimbaldus held of the Countess Judith three Hides bating one Bovate in **Tichecote**, the Arable Land was six Carucates, in demesne one; eight Sockmen, twelve Villains, and one Cottager, all possessing five Carucates. Here was also one Mill of 24 s. and twelve acres of Meadow, formerly valued at 30 s. and then at 50 s.

Nom. Vil.

In the reign of E. 2. Britius Danys was Lord of this Mannour. Which Britius Danys was one of those eminent persons in this County, who in the 29 E. 1. received the Kings writ of summons to attend him at **Berwick** upon **Tweed** well fitted with horse and armes, from thence to march against the Scots.

Clauſ. 29 E. 1. m. 13.

M. S. Wingf. Bodenham, m.

In the 18 E. 3. Roger Danys did re-lease to Roland Danys his Brother, and to his heirs all his right in the Mannour of **Tikencote**, and in all such Lands and Tenements which did at any time

belong to Bricius Danys in **Empingham**.

In the 10 H. 4. It was found that John Danneys, son and heir of John Danney, held of the King the Mannour of **Tikencote** in the County of **Notel**, by the service of one Knights fee; and two Carucates of Land with the appurtenances in **Wozum** (i. e. **Worn**) in the said County, by the service of the sixth part of a Knights Fee.

In the 5 E. 6. John Campynet and his Wife obtain'd License to alienate the Mannour of **Tikencote** in the County of **Rutland** to John Bevercots, and John Fixton, and their heirs, to the use of the said John Campynet &c. which Mannor was held of the King in **Capite** by Knights service.

But of later time a younger Branch of the Wingfeilds of **Upton** in **Com. Northampton**, became Lords of this Mannour.



Sir Henry Wingfield
of Otford Com. Suff.
Kt.

Elizabeth d. of
Robert Rooks.

Robert Wingfield of
Upton Com. Nor-
thampton.

Margery d. of
Geor. Quarles
of Norf.

Robert Wingfield
of Upton.

Elizabeth d. of Rich. Cecil
Sister of Will. Lord Burley.

Robert Wing-
field of Upton.

John Wingfield
of Tickencoat
Com. Rutland.

..... d. of
Gresham.

Richard
Wingfield
s. p.

Pere-
grine.

Dorothy ux. A-
dam Claypole de
Latham Com. Lin.

Cecily

Sir John Wingfield
of Tickencoat, Kt.

Frances d. of Edw. Lord
Cromwel.

Sir Richard Wing-
field of Tickenc. Kt.

..... d. of
Lee of Suffolk.

John

Charles.

Francis Wingfield
of Grayes Inn, Esq;

John Wingfield
of Tickenc. Esq;

Dorathy d. of Sir Tho-
mas Mackworth, Baronet.

Charles.

Frances, ux.
..... Pellant, Ar.

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 28 E. 1. the Abbot of **Oslove-**
ston (now call'd **Duston**) did pre-
sent to the Church of **Tikencote**, on
one part, and Sir **Bricius Daneys** then

Lord of the Mannor presented **William**
his Son, on the other; but Sir **Bricius**
Daneys revoked his presentation.

The Rectory of **Tikencote** is valued
in the Kings Books at 6 l. 5 s. 8 d.

The present Patron is

T I N W E L L.

Domesd. North.
N. 6.

Tinwell lyes in the *East* hundred
and did formerly belong to
the Church of St. *Peters de*
Burg, or *Peterborough*, for at the
Conquerors Survey, it was found that
that Church held **Tedinwelle**, where
were five hides and one yard Land, of
arable eight Carucates, in Demefne
two; twenty four Villains, and eleven
Bordarii possessing seven Carucates.
Here were also two Mills of 24 s. and
twenty acres of Meadow, formerly valu-
ed at 10 s. but at the time of that Sur-
vey, at 7 l.

And in the possession of that Abby
did this Town continue till the disso-

lution. After which,

King **Edward 6.** in the 7th. year of 7. E. 6. p. 8.
his reign granted his Letters Patents of
Confirmation of the Mannour of **Tin-**
well in this County, and **Wozthorp**
in Com. **Northamp.** (formerly granted
to **Richard Cecyl** and his heirs) to **Wil-**
liam Cecyl Knight, afterwards Lord
Burley, to hold of the King in *Capite*
by Knights service, reserving the yearly
Rent of 65 s. 7 d. for a tenth payable
at *Mic.* From whom is lineally descended
the right honourable **John** Earl of **Es-**
sex the present Lord of this Mannour,
and of **Intharp** a small Village within
this Parish.

Monuments

Monuments in the Church.

On a Plate of Brass fixt upon a plain Grave-stone, near the West end of the Chancell.

EN (Hospes) Sepulchrum Gulielmi Robinson Armigeri, Viri docti, prudentis, pii : Sapientiam & gravitatem multa Lectio concitavit : Virorum nobilium amicitias cognitus, quos sine adulatione coluit : duas filias reliquit quas pie educaverat : interim Mors oppressit anno ætatis 48. & Redemptoris, 1640.

On two plain Grave-stones placed in the South East Angle of the Chancel.

Here lyeth the body of Elisabeth Cecil daughter of David Earl of Exeter by Elisabeth his Countess, Daughter of John Earl of Bridgewater. Buried November 13. Anno Domini 1638.

Here lyeth Thomas Cecil sixth Son of David Earl of Exeter by Elisabeth his Countess, Daughter of John Earl of Bridgewater : buried May 28. Anno Domini 1641.

In the South Wall of the Chancel is erected a handsome Monument (but without date) to the memory of *Elisabeth*, Daughter of *Richard Cecil*, Esq; and Sister of *William Lord Burley*, who was first married to *Richard Wingfield*, Esq; and after his death to on which Monument are the following inscriptions,

Deo aeterno opt. Max. & memoria Sacrum.

Fide

Charitate

certaque Spe

Resurgendi.

Ut viret occato denatum semen in Agro,

Mortua sic vivent Corpora nostra Deo.

On this Monument are these three Escutchions representing a Feme and her two Husbands, *Viz.*

In the middle *Cecil* with the distinction of the younger House, and over the Coat, *ELIZABETH.*

On the Dexter, *arg. on a Bend. gu. Cottised sab, 3 pair of Wings conjoyn'd, of the first*, and over the Coat. *R. W.*

On the Sinister, *S. a Bend engrailed between 6 Billets ar.* Over the Coat *H. A.*

Of

Of the ADVOWSON.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 4 H. 3. the Abbot of **Peterborough** presented *Roger de Welles* to the Church of **Cinewell**.

The Rectory of **Cinewell** is valued in the Kings Books at 12 l. 10 s. 5 d.

The Present Patron is the right honourable the Earl of **Exeter**.

TIXOVER.

Domesd. North.
No. 1.

Tixover (in *Domesday* writ **Tichelouze**) lyes in the hundred of **Wangdike**. At the time of the Norman Survey this Town was appurtenant to the Kings Mannor of **Chetene**, and here were then reckoned two Hides, of arable eight Carucates, sixteen Sockmen, and four *Bordarii*, or Cottagers, having six Carucates; here was also one Mill of 5 s. Rent, eight acres of Meadow, and three acres of Thornes.

Norm. Vil.

In the 9 E. 2. the Abbot of **Clugny** or **Cluny** in **Burgundy**, was Lord of **Tykeshore**. Which being a Priory Alien, this Estate was often (in time of Wars with France especially) seiz'd by the King.

Pipe. Vet. Esc.

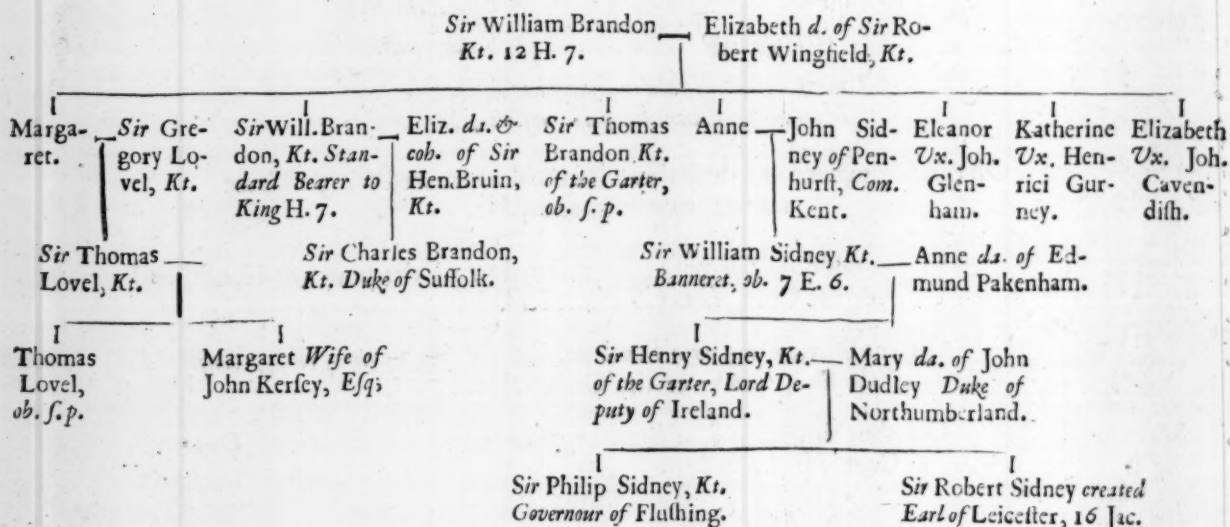
In the 18 E. 2. *Matthew Bron* did account in the Exchequer the sum of 12 l. 9 s. 5 d. ob. for Rents and other issues out of the Mannor of **Tykeshore** Com. **Not.** parcel of the Temporalities

of the Abbot of the **Cluniacs**, which were at that time in the Kings hands.

After the total suppression of all Priories Alien, which was 2 H. 5. this Mannor became part of the possessions of the Collegiate Church at **Cattelhal**. in **Com. Lincoln**, and so continued till the suppression of that House.

After the suppression of which House, this Estate being in the Crown,

In the 36 H. 8. that King granted ^{36 H. 8. p. 6.} to **Charles Brandon** Duke of **Suffolk** all those his Mannours of **Tykeshore**, **Wanton**, and **Wylthorp**, to be held of the King in *Capite* by Knights service. Which **Charles** left issue male only two ^{Bar. Eng. 2 Vol. 300.} Sons, **Henry** and **Charles**, both which dying issueless in the 5 E. 6. their Estate became divided among several collateral heirs, **Sidney**, **Lovel**, **Cavendish** &c. Whose relation I have exprest in the Scheme here annext.



In

Efc. 1 Mar.

In the first year of Queen Mary, it was found by office, that *Thomas Lovel* dyed seized of the fifth part of the Mannours of *Uxober, Manton, and Lylthorp*, with their appurtenances, being parcel of the possessions of the late dissolved Colledge of *Catterfal*, all which he held of the Queen in Capite by Knights service: And that *Margaret* the Wife of *John Kersey* was his Sister and heir.

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But it seems not long after the whole Estate became united in the heir of *Sidney* by partition, for in the 21 EL. that Queen granted Licence to *Henry Sidney* Knight to alienate the Mannours of *Creeke* and *Manton* (Com. *Rotel*.)

to *Michael Lewis* and his heirs.

In the 33 Eliz. the said Estate was conveyed to *William Kirkham*, who not long after conveyed the same to *Roger Dale of Colly Weston Esq*; in whose name and family it continued till of late years *Charles Dale Esq*; Grandson of the said *Roger*, leaving at his Death four Daughters his Coheirs, two of which being within age, certain Trustees were enabled by a special act in the Parliament held at *Westminster* 31 Car. 2. to sell this Lordship, which accordingly they did by due and effectual conveyance in the Law to *Henry Stafford of Blatherwick* in the County of *North*, Esq; the present Owner hereof.

Ralph de Stafford descended from the ancient Barons of Stafford, 49 E. 3.

Matilda da. & coh. of Sir John Haltang of Lemington, in Com. Warwick, Kt.



Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, in Com. Worcester. 21 R. 2.

Sir Humphrey Stafford, Kt. ob. 7 H. 5.

Elizabeth da. and h. of Sir John Burdet, Kt.

John Stafford, f. & h. ob. f. p.

Sir Humphrey Stafford, Kt. 9 H. 6.

Alianore da. of Sir Thomas Aylesbury, and heir of John her Brother; by whom came the Mannour of Blatherwick, in Com. Northamp.

Sir Humphrey Stafford, Kt. attainted, 1 H. 7.

Sir Humphrey Stafford, Kt. restored 37 H. 8.

Sir Humphrey Stafford, Kt. ob. 2 E. 6.

Margaret sister and coh. of Sir Edmund Tame, Kt.

Sir Humphrey Stafford, Kt. ob. 17 Eliz.

John Stafford, Esq;

Humphrey Stafford, Esq;

William Stafford, of Blatherwick, Esq;

Margaret da. of Sir John Corbet, Kt.

Henry Stafford, Esq;

William

TOLE

TOLETHORP.

Tolethorp lyes in the East Hundred, and was formerly a Town and had a Chappel.

*Domesd. North.
No. 35.*

I find at the time of the Conquerors Survey, *William* the Son of *Ansulfus*, held half a hide in **Coletthorp**, of Arable four Carucates, *Rex inde habet Soca*. In Domesd one Carucate, twelve Villains, and fifteen *Berdarii*, having three Carucates, here were four Mills of 40 s. and twenty Acres of Meadow, held by eight Sockmen, all formerly valued at 40 s. but at the time of the Survey at 5 l.

Nom. Vil.

In 9 E. 2. *Nicholas de Burton* was Lord **Coletthorp**.

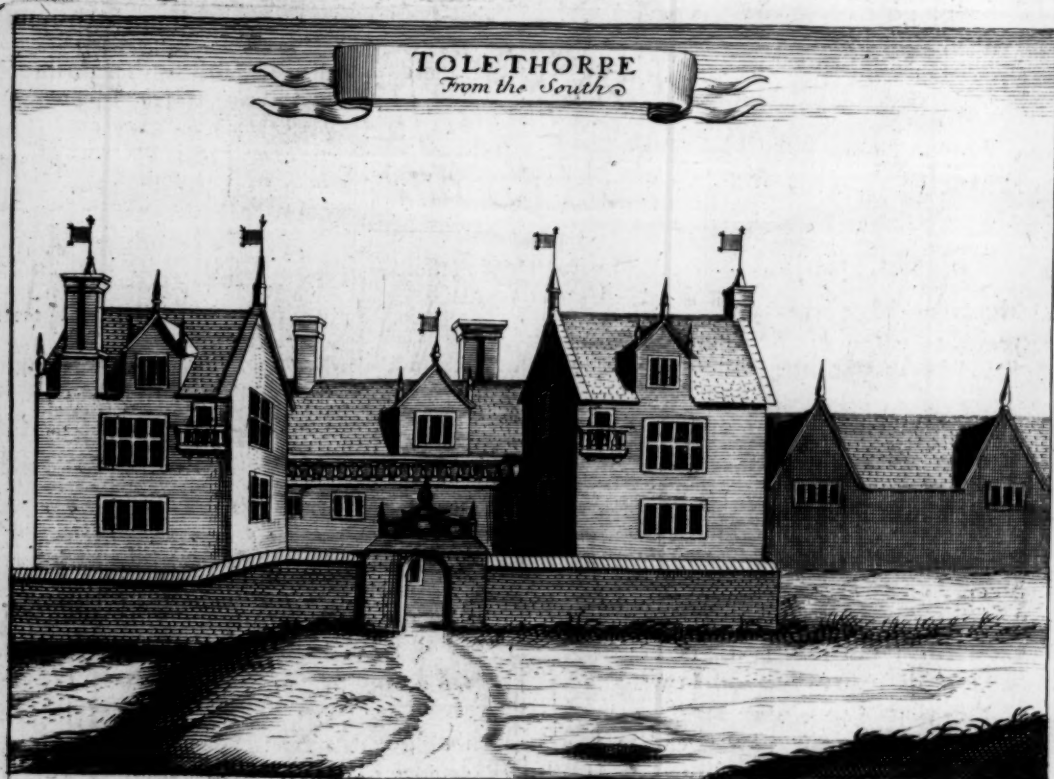
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by W. B. 108.*

Afterwards in the time of *Edw. 3.* It was the chief seat of Sir *William de Burton* Knight, one of the Justices of the Kings Bench from 17. E. 3. to the 36 year of that Kings reign; who dyed

49 E. 3. leaving issue by *Elleanor* his Wife, Sir *Thomas de Burton* Knight, who deceased 8 R. 2. from whom descend the *Burtons* of **Stockerson**, **Okeham**, and **Braunston**, as seems by their Armes, *S a Chevron Argent between three Owles membred and Crowned, Or.*

Which said Sir *Thomas Burton*, did by his deed dated at **Coletthorp** on the *Saturday* next after the Fealt of *St. Martin* the Bishop, 50 E. 3. convey unto *John Brown* of **Stamford** Esq; this Mannour of **Coletthorp**, together with all its appurtenances, and the perpetual *Advowson* of the Chappel of the same; also all his Lands, Tenements, Rents, and services in the Village of **Little Casterton** with the Reversion of the Patronage of the Church of the same.

*Ex Stem. penes
Chr. Brown, ar.*



John



John Brown of Stamford Esq;
vix. 50 E. 3.

John Brown, Esq; Temp. R. 2.

John Brown, Esq; Temp. H. 4.

John Brown, Esq;
vix. temp. H. 6.

Agnes. William Brown, Merchant of the Staple, he
built the old Beadhouse in Stamford, &c.

Christopher Brown,
Esq; Vic. Rut.
8 H. 7.

Grace d. & coh.
of John Pinch-
beck, Esq;

John, &
Edward
ob. s. p.

Agnes Vx. Williel.
Warren de Oke-
ham Mercator. Stap.

Elizabeth
Vx. Williel.
Cook, ar.

Francis Brown, Esq; to whom H. 8. -
granted the privilege to be covered, &c.

Margaret d. of Robert Matthew
of Bradon, Esq;

Anthony Brown Esq;
Vic. Rut. 14 El.

Dorothy d. of Sir Phillip Butler,
of Woodhall Com. Hertf. Kt.

Edward Brown,
Esq; ob. s. p.

Anthony,
ob. s. p.

Francis Brown,
Esq; f. 3. ob.
32 Eliz.

Lucy fil. Georgii
Mackworth de
Norminton, ar.

Robert.

Philip.

John Brown,
Esq;

Mary Sister of Sir Ro-
bert Quarles, Kt.

William.

Agnes Vx. Roberti
Kirkham.

Christopher Brown,
Esq; Vic. Rut. 23
Car. 1. & 32
Car. 2.

Elisabeth d. of
Sir Edw. Har-
rington, Bar.

Quarles Brown.
John Brown.
James Brown.

Penelope Vx.
Tho. Black-
well Gen.

Pritcilla Vx.
Tho. Arcy,
Gen.

Elisabeth Vx.
Antho. Graves
Cler.

John Brown,
fil. 1.

Edward Brown,
fil. 2.

Elizabeth Vx. Simonis
Mayn ar.

Bridget Vx. Ric.
Torleffe M. D.

Butchers Sur-
vey of Stamf.
p. 32, and 37.

Of this Family was William Brown Merchant of the Staple, who in the year 1493. (8 H. 7.) Built the Old Beadhouse in Stamford, for a Warden Confrater, twelve poor old men, and a Nurse; and endow'd the same with the Mannour of Swayfeild (Com. Linc.) and with divers Lands and Tenements elsewhere. He also built at his own proper charges the beautiful Steeple, with a great part of the Church, of Alhallows in Stamford, in which Church he lyeth buried after he had been twice Alderman of the said Town, viz. in the years 1466. and 1470.

Which William was younger Brother of John Brown Esq; who lived in the Reign of H. 6. Whose Widdow, Agnes Brown, was also a charitable Bene-

factress, according to the Practice of that age; as appears by her Will, dated on the day of St. John Baptist An. Domini 1470. (10 E. 4.) Whereby she devised, her body to be buried in Alhallows Church at Stamford, beside her Husband, and among other matters, the Charities following.

Penes Christ.
Brown de Tole-
thorp, Armig.

To our moder Church of Lincoln 6 s. 8 d.
To the Church of Alhallows of Stamford,
a Vestment of a suite the which shall cost
me by the oversight of my Friends that
shall occupy for me, 100. Marks.
To the Gray Fryers. 20 s.
To the Black Fryers. 20 s.
To the Augustine Fryers. 20 s.
To the White Fryers. 13 s. 4 d.
To the Nunt. 13 s. 4 d.

To a Priest to sing for me fifteen years continually, 75 l.

To the Church of **Amptell** in the County of **Bedford**, 40 s.

To every Godchild that I have 3 s. 4 d.

To every Curate that comes to my Dirige 6 d.

To every Priest, 4 d.

And to every Parish Clerk, 2 d.

To every Prior and Warden of the four houses that comes (ut sup.) 6 d.

And to every other Fryer that comes (ut sup.) 4 d.

Item for a Vestment and Chalis to the Chapel that my Husband and I lig in, 8 l.

Item I will that there be bought a Cloath of Silk and Gold with a Valence of the same to be born with four Petjt Staves over the Sacrament, on Palme Sunday in the Worship of the Sacrament, and I will that it cost 4. Marks.

Item, to the painting of the Tabernacle in Corpus Christi Chapple in St. Marys Kyrke in **Stamford**, 40 s.

Which **John Brown** and **Agnes** afore-
said, had issue **Christopher Brown** Esq; Fullers Wor-
thies of Eng.
Rut.
who came over with **H. 7.** and assisted him against **R. 3.** For which good service **K. H. 8.** granted to **Francis Brown** Son and Heir of the said **Christopher**, a Charter of exemption from serving of any Jury whatsoever, or in the Office of Sheriff or Escheator, granting also by the same deed to the said **Francis Brown**, the Liberty and Priviledge to be cover'd in the presence of him the said **K. H. 8.** his heirs, and all other great Persons spiritual or Temporal of this Kingdome; All which immunities were granted to the said **Francis Brown** for the term of his Life; whose Son and Heir **Anthony Brown** was great Grandfather to **Christopher Brown** Esq; now living and posselt by inheritance of this fair and antient Estate.

UPPINGHAM.

Camb. Brit.

Uppingham is in the Hundred of **Martinsly**, and so called says **Cambden**, from the highth of its scituation: yet in truth the place where the Town stands, tho it be something above a Level, is hardly to be called a hill.

Of **Uppingham** I can find no mention in **Domesday Book**, it being at that time (no doubt) one of those seven nameless Berewics or Hamlets included in **Bedlincetune** *Ckerchesoch*, of which see more under the Title of **Bidlington**.

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In the time of the Barons Wars **Uppingham** belong'd to the **Montforts**: For I find that **Peter de Montfort** an eminent Baron in those times, gave the Mannour of **Uppingham** to **William** his 2d. Son, about 50 H. 3. **Preston** also had the same Lords. But **Guy de Montfort** a descendant from the abovesaid **Peter**, having married a Daughter of **Thomas Beauchamp** Earl of **Warwick**, the **Montforts** estate in this County was settled in Tayl on the said **Guy**, the

Id. 410.

Remainder to the said Earl of **Warwick**, and his heirs, 22 E. 3. Soon after which **Guy de Montfort** dying without issue, this Estate became part of the possessions of the said Earl of **Warwick**, but being not long after forfeited by him, and in the Crown, King **Richard** the 2d. granted the same together with the Mannours of **Gyetham**, and **Barodon** in this County, to **Thomas Monbray** Earl of **Nottingham**, and Duke of **Norfolk**, a great favourite of that King. With whom, as it seems, this Estate continued not very long; for in the time of the Civil Wars, all the foresaid Towns and **Essington** in this County were part of the large possessions of **Richard Nevil** commonly called the stout Earl of **Warwick**, he having married **Anne** Daughter of **Richard Beauchamp**, and Sister to **Henry** Duke of **Warwick**, after whose death he became heir to the said Earldome. But her Husband being kill'd in **Barnet field**, on **Easter Day** 11 E. 4. fighting on the part of the house of **Lancaster**; his

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his Countess after his Death underwent no little distress, all her vast inheritance being by Authority of Parliament taken from her, and settled on her two Daughters, *Isabel* married to *George* Duke of *Clarence*, and *Anne* to *Richard* Duke of *Gloucester*, and was accordingly withheld from her till 3 H. 7. when the King (having himself a mind thereto, and her Daughters being then both dead) by a new act of Parliament repealed the former, and restored her into the possession of the premises, with power to alien the same or any part thereof: Pursuant to which power, she by her deed bearing date the 13 of Decemb. 3 H. 7. and a fine thereupon, conveyed the abovesaid Towns in this County, with many others elsewhere, to the said King, entailing them upon the issue male of his Body, with remainder to her self and her Heirs.

Which said King H. 7. in the first year of his reign (being then it seems, *de facto*, possessor of this estate) granted the Stewardship of the Lordships of *Uppingham*, *Preston*, *Barroughden*, *Clenden*, and *Gretham*, and of all the Lands formerly belonging to *George* Duke of *Clarence*, to *Simon Digby* a 2d. Son of *Sir Everard Digby* of *Wilton* (Com. *Leic.*) Whose Son and heir

Reginald Digby was great Grandfather to *John Digby*, who in the 16 year of King *James* (1618.) was advanced to the Title of Lord *Digby* of *Shirburne* in the County of *Dorset*, and in the 20. of that King created Earl of *Bristol*.

It appears by the account of *Richard Comp. pro Com. Rutland in Offic. Augm.* *Darrington* the Kings Receiver for these parts in the 3 E 6. that the said King 3. E. 6. *Edward* the sixth granted the Mannor of *Preston* and *Uppingham* (the Rents and Profits of which did at that time amount to the Sum of 80 l. 3 s. 6. d. ob. q; per an.) to his Sister the Lady *Elizabeth*, (afterwards Queen) to hold from the Feast of *St. Michael* in 38 H. 8. *durante beneplacito ipsius Domini Regis.*

Afterwards in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, the Mannor of *Preston* and *Uppingham* was granted out of the Crown to the then Earl of *Croter*, from which Family it went in marriage with *Anne*, one of the Daughters and Coheirs of *William* Earl of *Croter*, to the Earl of *Stamford*, from which Family it was conveyed to the present Owner.

The present Lord of *Uppingham* and *Preston*, is *Edward Fawcener*, Esq; which Estate he enjoys by inheritance from his great Uncle *Everard Fawcener*, a wealthy Citizen and Mercer of *London*.

Antonius Fawcener
de Stokedry, in Com.
Rutland.

Kenelmus Fawcener
de Stokedry.

..... f. Wilcox
de Knautton in Com.
Leic.

Everardus Fawcener de
London, & de Upping-
ham, Vic. Rutland, 1628.
ob. f. p. 1653.



Edwardus Fawcener
de Drystoke.

Maria f. Cow-
per de Weston in Com.
Northamp.

Kenelmus Fawcener
de Braunston in Com.
Rutl. ob. 1667.

Catherina f. Thomæ
Ireland de Preston
in Com. Rutl.

Edwardus Fawcener
de Uppingham, ar.

Dorcas f. & coh.
Willielmi Nevil:

Edwardus Fawcener Med.
Temp. Jurisconsultur.

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Ex relatione
Edwardi Faw-
cener, Arm.

Here is also in this Town another small Mannour, belonging to the Parson of the Church of **Uppingham** for the time being, in right of his Personage.

Of the Hospital, and School.

ABout the year 1584. Robert Johnson Archdeacon of **Leicester**, and Parson of North-**Luffenham** in this County, built (out of Collections for that purpose) a free School in this Town, and an Hospital for the maintenance of thirteen poor men and one Woman, of which number six to be Townsmen: Their Stipend, three pounds a piece per ann. At the same time he erected the like at **Okeham**; both which Foundations he afterwards indow'd with certain Conceal'd Lands, and impropriations, which he had beg'd of Queen **Elizabeth** for that purpose, and for both constituted the same Orders of Government. Which see in **Okeham**, *supra*.

Of the MERCATE, &c.!

Rot. Cart.
9 E. 1. n. 46.

KING Edward 1. in the 9th year of his Reign did grant and confirm to Peter de Monteforti then Lord of this Mannour, that he and his heirs for ever shall have one Mercate at their Mannor of **Uppingham** in Com. **Notel**. weekly on the *Wednesday*, and also one

Fair yearly, for three days, viz. the Eve, day, and morrow of the blessed **Margaret** the Virgin, (i. e. 20 Julii.) *Nisi mercatum illud & feria illa sint ad nocummentum vicinorum mercatorum & vicinarum feriarum.*

By the Stat. 11 H. 7. ch. 4. the Standard of Weights, and measures for this County of **Rutland**, is appointed to be kept at **Uppingham**: It not being always appointed to be kept at the County Town; for by that Stat. the Standard for the County of **Warwick** is to remain at **Cobentry**.

Of the ADVOWSON.

IN the 42 H. 3. *Benedict de Gravefend* being then Bishop of **Lincoln**, *Reg. Linc.* the then Abbot of *Westminster* presented to the Church of **Uppingham**.

But after the dissolution of *Westminster* Abby, the Temporalties of that house being in the Crown, King **Edward** 6. in the fourth year of his Reign, granted, among other things, the *Advowson* of this Church to **Nicholas Ridley** then Bishop of **London** and to his Successors for ever; and this was by his Letters Patents dated the 12th. day of *April* in the said 4th. year of his reign. *4 E. 6. pars 4.*

The Rectory of **Uppingham** is valued in the Kings Books at, 20 l. 0 s. 9 d.

The present Patron is the Bishop of **London**.

In the Church of Uppingham.

Memoria Sacrum

Viro honoratissimo Everardo Fawkenere Armigero in hoc Comitatu olim Vicecomiti, qui obiit 2. die Maii An. Dom. 1653. Annoque Aetatis sui 75.

Clarus ab ingenuis jacet hic Fawkenerus Avitis
Quem magè virtutum nobilitavit Amor.
Gestantem summos Rutlandia vidit honores
Quos ambit juris militiaque Decus.
Spectat ab Aurora quaq; Uppinghamia Templum
Sumptibus illius compita strata nitent:
Promptior ut Cælum qua nos gradiamur ad altum
Et consipato sit via Munda foro.

Pauperibus

*Pauperibus Solamen erat: Juvenumque solebat
Angustam larga spem relevare manu.
Lector, ne luges; nec vos lugetis Amici,
Post hæc en superest nescia fama mori.*

*In grati animi Testimonium Edvardus Fawkenor Armiger in heredem sibi af-
citur hoc mærens posuit Monumentum.*

WARDLY.

L Yes in the Hundred of **Okeham**
Soak. Of **Wardly** there is no
mention in *Domesday Book*, it
being at that time surveyed as a member
to some other Neighbouring Town,
but to which I cannot say.

This Town, together with **Apton** in
this County, did belong to the *Murdocs*
of **Stokerton** (*Com. Leic.*) by whose
heir general it came to the *Boyvilles*, *A-*
lice de Boyville Sister and Heir of *Hugh*
Murdac being Lady of this Mannor in
the 9th. year of E. 2. which *Alice* was
the Wife of *Thomas de Boyville*, in whose
name and posterity this Estate continued
till 8 E. 4. in which year *John Boyville*
the last Lord of this Mannour of that
name dying without issue male, his E-

*Nom. Vil.
in Scacc.*

state became divided among his three
Daughters and Coheirs, in which devi-
sion this Town and **Apton** in this Coun-
ty were assigned to the Purparty of *Tho-*
mas Restwold and *Margaret* his Wife,
one of the said three Daughters.

Of the ADVOWSON.

W Alterus de Baskerville & *Ifolea*
uxor ejus petunt versus Priorem *Fragmenta Jo-*
de Launda de Advocatione ecclesie de *han. An. 4.*
Warelp. An. 4. *Johannis.* *Rot. 13.*

The Rectory of **Wardly** *Cum Wel-*
ton, is valued in the Kings Books at,
10 l. 15 s. 11 d.

The present Patron is

WHISSUNDINE.

IN the Hundred of **Alstoe**. At the
time of the Norman Conquest, *Earl*
Wallef, a Saxon, held **Wichinge-**
dene then rated at four Carucates to the
Tax or Geld. The Land was twelve
Carucates. Afterwards at the time of
Domesday Survey, *Hugo de Hatot* Farmer
of *Judith* Countess of **Huntington**, held
here five Carucates, and twenty seven
Villains, and six *Bordarii* (or Cottagers)
having eight Carucates. In the
time of King *Edward the Confessor*
this Mannour was valued at 8 l. but
at the abovemention'd Survey at 13 l.

*Domesday Tit.
Rotel.*

*Nom. Vill.
in Scacc.*

In the 9 E. 2. *Thomas Wakes* and *Ro-*
bert de Helewelle were Lords of one moi-

ety of **Whissundon**, and *Richard de*
Harington and *John de Wytelebirye* were
Lords of the other moiety. Of all
which in order. First.

Concerning the *Wakes* Estate in this
Town, I find that *Thomas* Lord *Wake* *Bar. Eng.*
died seized of the Mannour of **Wys-** *1 Vol. 541.*
singden (*Com. Rotel.*) in the 23 year
of *Edw. 3.* leaving *Margaret* Countess
of **Kent** (Widow of *Edmund* of **Wood-**
stock second Son to King *E. 1.* and
Earl of **Kent**) his Sister and Heir,
whose Sons *Edmund*, and *John*, succes-
sive Earls of **Kent**, dying seized of this
Lordship without issue, *Joan* their Sister
then Wife of Sir *Thomas Holland* Knight,
became

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became their heir. Which *Joan* was afterwards married to *Edward* the Black Prince. But she dying seized of this Mannour, 9 R. 2. *Thomas Holland* Lord *Wake* & Earl of *Kent*, her Son and Heir, had the same year a special Liverie of this and the rest of her Estate; which *Thomas* departing this Life in the 20. year R. 2. left issue *Thomas* his Son and Heir, and *Edmund*, both which dying without issue, his five Sisters, *Alianore*, *Joan*, *Margaret*, another *Alianore*, and *Elisabeth*, became their Coheirs.

This Mannour it seems fell at that time to the purparty of *Alianore* the Eldest Sister, (who being the Widow of *Roger Mortimer* Earl of *March*, married for her second Husband *Edward Cberlion* Lord *Powis*;) For in the 25th.

year of H. 6. it was found by Office that *Henry Gray* Son and Heir of *Joan* third Daughter and Coheir of *Alianore* first sister and Coheir of *Edmund* late Earl of *Kent*, held the Mannour of *Wistenden* cum pertinent. in the County of *War.* of the King in Capite, by the service of the hundredth part of a Knights Fee. Which *Henry* left issue *Richard* his Son and Heir, who departing this Life, 6 E. 4. being then seized of this Mannour of *Wistenden*, left issue by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter of *James* Lord *Audley*, *John Gray* Lord *Powis*, who in the 10th year of H. 7. was found to dye seized of this Estate, and that he held the same of the King in Capite by Knights service.

The *Helewells* Estate in this Town remain'd in that name, till about the reign of H. 7. it came by an heir Female to the *Sherards*, and is at present possessed by the right honourable *Bennet* Lord *Sherard*, Heir of that family now living. Of which see more in *Tigh*.

In the 18 E. 2. *Matthew Bron*, the

Kings Escheator in this County, accounted for the Mannour of *Wistenden*, late the Estate of *Richard de Harrington* deceased, and which he held of the Earl of *Richmond* by the service of 4 l. per an, and not of the King. This was called the Mannour of *Wozehall*.

Concerning the *Wittleburys* Estate, which hath been of great antiquity in this Town: I find that in the 12 E. 3. *Albericus de Wytelbury*, who was son of *John de Wytelbury*, paid to the King 12 s. 6 d. as a relief for one Messuage, twenty two yard Land and a half, and twenty acres of Meadow in *Wistenden* with the appurtenances in the County of *Boteland*, held of the King in Capite by the service of the 8th. part of a Knights fee.

In the 25 E. 3. *Thomas* Son and heir of the said *Albericus de Witelbury* paid the King a relief of the said sum, for the same Estate as abovespecified.

In the 3 H. 4. it was found by Office that *Alfredus* Son and Heir of *John Wittlebury* held the Estate above specified of the King in Capite as of his Mannour of *Puntington*, by the service of the 8th. part of a Knights Fee.

Which Family of the *Wittelburys* were heretofore Lords of the Mannour of *Brinklow* in *Com. Warwick*, which they held by the service of a Sore Sparhawk, yearly at *Lammas*, or 2 s. in Mony.

This Estate with two other Mannours in this Town, are all three united by the Name of the Mannour of *Moorhall*, *Whittlebury*, and *Powis*, and are now possessed by the honourable *Phillip Sherard* Esq; second Son of *William* late Lord *Sherard*. Of which Family vid. *Tigh*.

To which antient descent, as there expressed, may be added the alliance of this younger branch, viz.

Philippus Sherard, Ar.
fil. 2. Willielmi Dom.
Sherard, mar. 3.

Margareta fil. Thomæ
Denton, mil. Vidua
Johannis Poultney,
Arm.

Willielmus Eure Arm. fil. 2.
Will. Dom. Eure, occisus in
servicio Car. 1. Regis, Anno
1645. mar. 2.

Bennet
Sherard,
ar.

Doratheia fil.
Dom. Fairfax
Vidua
Stapleton, ar.

Philip. Sherard
de Car-Collon
in Com. Not-
tingham fil. 2.

Anna fil. &
cob. Johan.
Thorough-
ton, M. D.

Denton
Sherard
fil. 3.

Abigail
Vx. Johan.
Pickering,
arm.

Margareta con-
sanguinea & cob.
Will. Dom.
Eure, ux. Tho.
Danby, ar.

Maria con-
sang. & cob.
Will. Dom.
Eure, ux.
W. Palmes,
ar.

Philip-
pus.

Eliza-
betha.

Mar-
gareta.

Philippus.

Robertus.

Willielmus.

Anna.

Maria.

Eliza-
betha.

Of

Of the Church there:

IN the 17 E. 1. Sir John de Swineborne Knight, and Frier John de Lindors Sacrist of the Monastery of Lindors (Lindores) in Fife, in Scotland, as Procurators of the Abbot and Covent of the said Monastery, did present to the Church of **Whitfendine**.

Reg. Line:

In the 14 E. 2. John Priest of **Stynnington** was presented to the Vicarage of the Church of **Whitfendine** by the Prior and Covent of **Sempingham**, and admitted to the same at **Newark**

Reg. Line:

by Henry Burghersb then Bishop of **Lincoln**, 4. Kall. Junii 1321.

At the time of the dissolution of the said Priory of **Sempingham** the Rectory of **Whitfendine** was in Lease to **Michael Rayne** at the yearly Rent of 22 l. and this was by indenture of Demise from that Covent, Dat. 20 Junii 26 H. 8.

Comp. pro Com.
Rud. in Offic.
Augm. an. 3 E. 6.

The Vicarage of **Whitfendine** is valued in the Kings Books at, 7 l. 1 s.

The Present Patron is the Right honourable **Bennet Lord Sherard**.

In the Church of Whitfendine.

About the Verge of an Alabaster Tomb in the Chancel.

Hic jacent Bartholomeus Villars, secundus filius
Villars de Brokesby, & Margareta uxor eius una
& heredum de Whytstondyn, qui obiit xx die
..... quorum animarum propicietur Deus, Amen.

W H I T W E L L.

IN the hundred of **Alstoe**. At the time of the Norman Conquest one **Besy** a Saxon was Lord of **Whitwelle** which was then taxed to the Geld at one Carucate. The Land was three Carucates. Afterwards at the time of the Survey call'd **Domesday Book** one **Herbertus** held here in farm of Countess **Judith** one Carucate of Land, and six Villains, and four **Bordarii** having two Carucates. Here was at that time a Church and a Priest, and twenty acres of Meadow, and one Mill of the value of 12 d. A pasture Wood (*Silva per loca pastilis*) of six furlongs, and six perchers in length, and three furlongs, and thirteen Perches in Breadth. All which was then valued but at 40 s.

Domesd. Tit.
Rotei.

In the 9 E. 2. The Prior of the Hospital of **St. John of Jerusalem** was Lord of **Whitwell**. These were the Knights Hospitallers or Knights of **St. John**, who

Nom. Vil.
in Scacc.

are now called Knights of **Malta**.

But after the dissolution of that Order in **England**, which was by Statute made in the 32. year of H. 8. ch. 24) it seems that this Estate was granted to the **Harringtons** of **Exton**; and accordingly it was found by Office taken in the first year of Queen **Mary**, that Sir **John Harrington** Knight, among other Lordships in this County, dyed seized of the Mannour of **Whitwell**, which he held of the Queen in Capite by Knights service. In like manner it was found by inquisition taken at **Okeham** 22 March, 13 Jac. before **Edward Harrington** Knight, **William Bulstrode** Knight, and **John Reading** Gent. Feodarys, that **John Lord Harrington** the elder; dyed seized (*inter alia*) of the Mannour of **Whitwell**, but by what tenure is not there exprest.

Esch. i. Mar.

Esch. 14. Jac.
pars 2. n. 116.

In which Family it continued till

Iti

Lucy Countess of Bedford one of the heirs general of John last Lord Harington, conveyed the same to Sir Baptist Hicks Knight and Baronet, from whom by Julian one of his Daughters and Coheirs, it was derived to the right honourable Baptist Vicount Campden late deceased.

The present Lord of this Mannour is the honourable Baptist Noel Esq; second Son, now living of the said Vicount Campden.

The Family of *Flore, alias Flower*, (a name of great note, in former times, in this Country) had in this Town an antient Seat and Estate of Freehold

thereunto belonging: viz. Two Messuages, forty acres of Land, twenty acres of Meadow, and one Water Mill, which they held of the Prior of St. John of Jerusalem in England, as of his Mannour of Whitwell, by the Rent of 7 s. yearly, and suit of Court there. As appears by Inquisition taken at *Hetton* in this County 7 Nov. 15 H. 8. before John Mollesworth Escheator; after the death of Richard Flower Esq; which Richard deceased, 16 Sept. before, and left Roger Flower his Son and next heir, aged at that time thirty years and above.

2/c. 15 H. 8.
n. 23



Willielmus Flower — Elena.
Vic. Com. Rutland
10 R. 2.

Roger Flower — Catherine *da. & coh.*
of Okham. of William Dalby of
Exton, Com. Rautl.

Thomas Flower — Agnes *d. and b. of*
of Okham. Peter Saltby *da*
Com. Linc.

Roger Flower — Jane *da. and Coh. of*
Sir John Fraunces
of Burly, Kt.

Elizabeth *da. & coh. of* Richard Flower of Elizabeth *d. of Wil-*
Sir John Tessington Whitwell, *ob. 16.* liam Brooksby
of Stamford, Kt. *ux. 1.* Sept. 15 H. 8. de Com. Leic. *ux. 2.*

Roger Flower — Dorathy *d. of Rei-*
of Whitwell, nald Conyers of
Wakerly, Com.
Northamp.

George Flower — Margaret *da. of John*
sixth Son. Salsbury.

Francis Flower *sometime*
servant to Sir Christopher
Hatton Lord Chancellor.

Richard Flower — Alice *da. of Sir John*
of Whitwell. Harington of Exton,
Kt.

John Flower — Mary *da. of Anthony*
of Whitwel. Colly of Glaifon.

John Flower — Jane *da. of Ralph Shel-*
don de Com. Worcest.

Anne *ux. Ro-*
bert Kay.

Alice *ux. Charles* Mary.
Segrave.

John Flower.

Asc. nb. sup.

The said *Richard* dyed seized also of the Mannour of Little **Hambleton**, with other Lands in great **Hambleton**, and a fair Estate in **Okeham**, of which I have already made mention in the proper places. He was also seized in Fee of the mediety of one Messuage, fifteen acres of Land, and five Acres of Meadow *cum pertinent*. in **Langham**, which he held of the Lord of the Castle and Mannour of **Okeham**, by Fealty only. Also of an hundred acres of Wood in **Burly** *cum pertinent*. which he held of the King in *Capite*, but by what services is not exprest. Also of one Messuage, ten acres of Land, and ten acres of Meadow, with the appurtenances in **Exton**, which he held of *John Harrington* Esq; as of his Mannour of **Exton**, but by what services is not exprest: All which appears by the a bovesaid Inquisition.

Comp. pro Com. Rutl. in Offic. Augm. an. 3 E. 6.

It appears by the Account of *John Doddington* in the Court of Augmentations 3 E. 6. that there were certain Lands (the particular of which I have not seen) in **Belton**, **Whitwell**, and **Ashwell**, formerly belonging to the Hospital of **Burton St. Lazarus**, in **Com. Leicest.** All which Lands were by King *H. 8.* on the 4. *May* in the 36 year of his reign, granted to *John Dudley* then Vicount *Lisle*, and afterwards Earl of **Warwick**, reserving the Rent of 49 s. *per an.*

Of the Church there.

Reg. Linc.

IN the 32 E. 1. *Frier William de Colehale* Prior of the House of **St. John of Jerusalem**. presented to the Church of **Whitwell**.

Certif. pro Com. Rutl. in Offic. Augm. 2 E. 6.

Here was formerly in our Lady Chaple in this Church One Chauntry, founded by *Richard Wyghtwell* Priest, one of the Canons of the Cathedral Church of **Lincoln**. The particulars of which foundation were in the 2 E. 6. Surveyed and thus certified by *Richard Cicyl* Esq; and *Thomas Hays* Commissioners

for that purpose, *viz.*

Founded for the maintenance of one Priest to sing there for ever, and bath of Lands and Tenements lying in divers places in the Counties of **Rutland** and **Lincoln** to the yearly value of 107 s. 1 d. whereof in Rent Resolute 3 s. 4 d. Remaineth cleer to the Chauntry Priest there named *Sir Robert Suckling*, aged 46 years, of honest Conversation, and bath always heretofore been exercised in the Education of Youth in learning, yet unable to serve a Cure by reason he is purblind 103 s. 9 d. inde pro decima Regi 9 s. 11 d.

At the suppression in the said 2 E. 6. *Certif. at sup.* here was one Chalice weighing 20 Ounces, delivered to the Jewel-house,

Ornaments Goods and Chattels prized at 13 s. 11 d.

Belonging to which Chantry I find mention of one Tenement situated at the east end of the Town of **Normanton** towards **Empingham**, with one little Croft or pightel at the North end of the same, and divers Lands in the fields of **Normanton**, then in the Tenure of *John Shorwood* at the Rent of 11 s. *per an.* Also one Tenement in great **Hambleton**, situated over against the Church-yard, called the Chantry house, with a small parcel of Land on the North side of the same, and a Close in nether **Hambleton**, with certain lands thereunto belonging, demised to *William Fowler* at the Rent of 22 s. 8 d. All which Lands and Tenements King *Edward 6.* by his Letters Patents bearing date 16 Feb. in the 3d. year of his Reign, granted to *Edward Warner* and *John Gosnolde*, who by their Deed dated 20 Feb. 3 E. 6. convey'd over the same to *Robert Harbottle* his heirs and assigns for ever.

Comp. pro Com. Rutl. an. 2 E. 6. in Offic. Augm.

The Rectory of **Whitwell** is valued in the Kings Books at 5 l.

The Patron is the honourable *Baptist Noel* Esq; Lord of the Mannour.

T

WINGE.

W I N G E.

THis Town lyes in the hundred of **Wartinsley**.

Of **Winge** I find no mention in *Domesday Book*: It being at the time of that Survey included, no doubt, as a member to some other neighbouring Town; but to which does not appear.

Bar. Eng.
I. Vol. 407.

Wing, in the times of the first Norman Kings, belong'd to the *Montforts*, whose Ancestor, *Hugh de Montfort* came into **England** with the Conquerour, and was of great note in his Army and Affairs, but lost his life in a Duel with *Wakeline de Ferrers*. After this *Robert de Montfort* having given a moiety of **Wing** to the Monks of **Chorney**, *Thurstan* his brother and Heir would have avoided the Gift till compell'd by King *Steven* to make it good. Whereupon by his special Charter, for the health of his Soul, as also for the Souls of his Wife and Sons, and especially for the Soul of his Brother *Robert*, and the Souls of all his Ancestors and Successors, he granted to the said Monks the one half of the said Town of **Wenge**, with the moiety of the Church and Mill, excepting the Fee of *Thurstan* his Esq; and the fee of *Ralf Fitz-Nigel*, for which grant those Monks gave to *Robert* his Son a Marc of Gold.

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The said Monks had also by the gift of the abovesaid *Ralph Fitz-Nigel* three Bovates of Land in the said Town of **Wenge**, also of the gift of *Hugh de Grantemainil* one yard Land in the said Town. Also *John de Stutavill* gave and confirmed to God and the Church of **Chorney** (in like manner as *Robert de Montfort* had given) half the Town of **Wenge**, with all appurtenances lawfully belonging to the same, with the whole Church there, to hold in free Almes for the health of his Soul, the Souls of his Wife, Brethren, Ancestors and Successors, and of all the faithful of God departed, and for the fraternity of the place. This Grant and Con-

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firmation was also made in the time of *Gislebert*, who was Abbot of **Chorney** in the 16th. year of King *Steven*, 1151. Which said mediety of the Town of **Wenge**, and the half of the Mill of the said Town, as also one Villain, by name *Normannus*, with his Land, viz. one yard Land in the said Town, with all other Lands elsewhere at that time belonging to the said Abbot and Church of **Chorney**, or which hereafter by lawful means might be acquired by them, were confirm'd to the said Church by the Bul of Pope *Alexander*, 3. An. Dom. 1162.

Id. 350.

In the 9th. year of E. 2. there were three Lords of **Wenge**, viz. The Abbot of **Chorney**, the Prior of *St. Neots*, and *Peter de Montfort*.

Nom. VII.
in Scacc.

At the time of the suppression of the Monastery of **Chorney** this Mannour of **Winge** cum pertinent. was in Lease to *Henry Lacy*, and *Robert Lacy* his Son, by Indenture under the Covent Seal of the said Monastery dated the last day of *Septemb.* An. 28 H. 8. for the term of fourscore and twelve years at the Rent of 10 l. payable yearly at the Feasts of the purification of the Blessed Virgin, and of *St. Martin*.

Comp. pro Com.
Rutland in
Offic. Augm.
3. E. 6.

The said Farmers were to keep, or cause to be kept, the yearly Courts there, and to receive for their Fee 20 s. out of the Rents of the said Mannour. The Rents of the Customary Tenants of the said Mannour were at that time 4 l. 5 s. 3 d. payable at *Mic.* and *Lady* day.

Ubi sup.

The Present Lord of the Mannour of **Winge** is

Of the ADVOWSON.

IN the 11th. year of the reign of King *John*, a fine was past at *Westminster* between *William* Prior of *St. Neots* plaintiff, and *Robert* Abbot of **Chorney**, and *Thurstan de Montfort* deforcients, of

Ex Collect.
Wingf. Bo-
denham, m.
f. 93.

of the *Advowson* of the Church of *Wynge*, whereby the right was acknowledged to be in the Prior of St. Neots to hold of the Lord *Thurstan* and his heirs; and for this the said Prior granted to the Abbot of *Thorne*, and his Successors, the Moiety of the Mill at *Wynge*.

Advowson of this Church, begun four years before in the 7. *Jo.* but at that time adjourn'd, *sine die*, in regard the said *Thurstan* was then in the Kings service, beyond the Seas.

The Rectory of *Wynge* is valued in the Kings Books at, 7*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.*

The present Patron is the King.

Frag. Jo. an. 7.
Rot. 5. 10.

This was really the final Concord of a suit, touching the right of the *Ad-*

In the Church of Wynge.

Painted on the Wall.

Templum Sancti Petri.

Dominus Henricus de Clipstoe in Forestia

de Shirwood in

Comitatu Nottinghamiæ me fecit.

On a Plate of Brass, fixt in a Marble Gravestone,
in the Chancel.

PRAY for the soule of *Hastye* Robert Gilbert late parson of this *Parish* Church of *Wynge*, and for all Christen Soules. w^{ch} detested the xi day of December in the yere of our Lord a M. V^{c.} and iii.

Poly-Olbion, 2.
Part, Song 24.
p. 103.

HAVING now finisht my Observations and Historical Collections relating to the severall Towns, Villages, and places of Remark in *Rutland*, I will conclude all with the Encomium given to this County by *Michael Drayton*, in his *Poly-Olbion*. Where we may find the Muse thus speaking to this Little Shire.

Love not thy self the less, although the least thou art,
What thou in greatness want'st, wise Nature doth impart
In goodness of thy Soyl; and more delicious Mould,
Surveying all this Ile, the Sun did ne're behold.
Bring forth that Brittish Vale, and be it ne're so rare,
But Catmus with that Vale for richness may compare.
What Forest Nymph is found, how brave so ere she be,
But Lyfeild shews her self as brave a Nymph as she?

What

*What River ever rose from Bank, or swelling Hill,
Then Rutland's wandring Wash, a delicates Rill?
Small Shire that canst produce to thy proportion good,
One Vale of special Name, one Forest, and one Floud.
O Catmus, thou fair Vale, come on in Grass and Corn,
That Beaver ne're be said thy sisterhood to scorn,
And let thy Ocham boast to have no little Grace,
That her the pleased Fates did in thy Bosom place:
And Lifeild, as thou art a Forest, live so free,
That every Forest-Nymph may praise the sports in thee:
And down to Wellends course, O Wash, run ever cleer,
To honour, and to be much honour'd by this Shire.*

FINIS.

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